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THE PALMER REGISTER, Inc.

Palmer, Mass.

1946

Town Officers --- 1945

Town Clerk

JOHN T. BROWN

Term expires 1948

Town Treasurer, 1 Year

ROBERT L. McDONALD

Collector of Taxes, 1 Year

JOHN T. BROWN

Selectmen, 1 Year

DANIEL W. O'CONNOR, Chairman

GEORGE B. CHENEY PETER F. WARAKOMSKI

Assessors

DAVID B. SMITH, Chairman	Term expires 1946
LUDWIK MARHELEWICZ	Term expires 1948
OSCAR F. BRESSETTE	Term expires 1947

Board of Public Welfare

JOHN K. MCKENZIE, Chairman	Term expires 1946
WILLIAM C. DALY	Term expires 1947
GEORGE E. CALLAHAN	Term expires 1948
OSCAR LAVIOLETTE (appointed to fill vacancy caused by resignation of William C. Daly)	

Auditors, 1 Year

CLARENCE A. CARRINGTON

ALLEN F. DAVIS GARTON J. QUIMBY

Tree Warden, 1 Year

WALTER H. CAMBO, Jr.

Constables, 1 Year

JAMES H. CARTER	OSCAR LAVIOLETTE
JAMES H. MacGEACHEY	STEPHEN J. SALAMON
	MILTON J. WOOD

School Committee

JOSEPH A. FUREY, Chairman	Term expires 1947
FLORENCE H. CALLAHAN	Term expires 1946
CHARLES GIROUX	Term expires 1947
GARRETT P. CAVANAUGH	Term expires 1948
STANLEY W. WISNEWSKI	Term expires 1948

Board of Health

JANE COULTER, Chairman	Term expires 1948
ALFRED R. KELLEY	Term expires 1946
WILLIAM J. BERNAT	Term expires 1947

Cemetery Commissioners

LOUIS J. BRAINERD, Chairman	Term expires 1946
LESLIE R. KEITH	Term expires 1947
ROBERT E. FAULKNER	Term expires 1948

License Commissioners, 1 Year

ROBERT A. SWAIN, Chairman	
CHARLES H. BRESSETTE	JOHN F. KMOM

Planning Board

EDWIN J. DUNCAN	Term expires 1946
MICHAEL J. SULLIVAN	Term expires 1946
TIMOTHY D. CRIMMINS	Term expires 1947
PATRICK J. NAGLE	Term expires 1947
CLEOPHAS R. POTVIN	Term expires 1948
STEVEN SCUDDER	Term expires 1948

1945

Town Clerk's Report

The following dog licenses were issued during the year ending December 31, 1945:

Males	367
Females	58
Spayed Females	149
Kennel	2

* Free Licenses:

Males	14
Females	3
Spayed Females	6
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Total	599

Paid to Town Treasurer during 1945 \$1,266.80

* for dogs whose owners were in the military or naval service.

The following Vital Statistics were received for record for the year ending December 31, 1945:

Number of births	186
Number of marriages	135
Number of deaths	120

JOHN T. BROWN

Town Clerk

VITAL STATISTICS

The attention of parents and others is called to the following Vital Statistics. It is important that the records should be correct. If any errors or omissions are discovered, the Town Clerk will deem it a favor to have the same reported to him at once, and he will make the corrections in accordance with the law. Parents should also know that a proper return of birth is made as it may be of great importance in after life.

Births 1945

DATE	NAME OF CHILD	PARENTS
January		
10	Robert Frank Bragiel	Frank W. and Sophie F.
10	Joseph John Kawecki	John A. and Sophie M.
10	Stanley Robert Noble	Leonard S. and Stella A.
12	Raymond George Hewitt	George A. and Jane M.
12	Jean Emily Thatcher	Harold F. and Doris M.
17	Thomas William Dingman	Robert O. and Roberta F.
18	Armand Gauvin	George E. and Germaine
19	Linda Elaine Henneman	Arthur F. and Marjorie J.
19	Paul Joseph Sweetman, Jr.	Paul J. and Alice E.
26	Rocqueline Ellen Laviolette	Ladislas and Margaret C.
26	Andria Joyce Naglack	Andrew J. and Gladys O.
29	Ronald Dean Hermanson	Rangnar E. and Charlotte A.
February		
1	Barbara Reine Christiansen	George F. and Mildred L.
5	Quentin Durward Church	Durward J. and Irene M.
5	Thomas Joseph Murphy	Thomas J. and Victoria A.
6	Julia Mary Mastalerz	Walter and Julia S.
13	Susan Borowik	Theodore J. and Vera E.
17	Patricia Lou Desmarais	Leo A. and Lucy M.

DATE NAME OF CHILD

PARENTS

18 Loretta Bernice Kalldian
 18 Ann Marie Mancini
 18 Georganna Joy Piacitelli
 20 John Joseph Soltys
 21 Leonard Leo Berthiaume
 22 William Everett Walder
 24 Janet Jean Kwasniewski
 25 David Earl Johnson
 27 Christine Stasia Przybycien
 28 Pamela Susan Mancuso

Joseph B. and Lorraine L.
 Bonifacio and Anna
 George and Josephine V.
 Stanley J. and Genevieve E.
 Roland O. and Blanche L.
 Everett A. and Lauria D.
 Stephan S. and Helen
 Ernest H. and Dorothy E.
 Stanley J. and Annette B.
 Frank S. and Helen

March

2 Paul Edward Rondeau
 8 Richard Francis Lobik
 10 Ruth Anne Bernard
 12 Ralph Victor Severns, Jr.
 14 Roger Philip Holden
 16 Patricia Ann LaGrant
 17 Patricia Anne Soltys
 19 Gordon Alan Bren
 20 Daniel Thomas Cole
 22 Frank E. Naglack, Jr.
 27 Michael Edwin Walker
 28 Stephen James Rathbone
 30 Ronald Robert Papesh
 31 Edward Brozek
 31 Walter Joseph Nevue
 31 Carol Ann Zajac

Arthur A. and Irene P.
 Joseph and Janet B.
 Ernest P. and Eva A.
 Ralph V. Sr., and Helen
 Henry P. and Marjorie
 Joseph G. and Sophie P.
 Adam S. and Stella M.
 Gordon A. and Jean E.
 Robert and Martha
 Frank E. Sr. and Bertha F.
 Edwin C. and Catherine E.
 James H and Muriel E.
 Edward G. and Helen F.
 Edward S. and Mary J.
 Merrill F. and Stella M.
 Stanley and Nellie

April

2 Robert Steven Eldred
 8 Mary Ann Arabik
 14 Kathleen Gernon
 16 Edward John Hryniwicz, Jr.
 16 Elisabeth Rusiecki
 18 Josephine Ann Wojnicki
 19 Roberta Helene Young
 20 Edward Champagne Hebert
 22 John Robert Disley
 25 Walter Louis Piechota
 26 Thomas Paul Grady
 28 Ronald David Hayes

Ralph and Bertha
 Walter S. and Mary R.
 Ralph J. and Gertrude T.
 Edward J. and Edna R.
 Frederick W. and Mary E.
 Stanley and Helen A.
 Leland A. and Helen T.
 Oliver A. and Maude M.
 Maurice P. and Virginia H.
 Michael and Stella
 Thomas L. and Mary E.
 Robert C. and Julia A.

DATE NAME OF CHILD

PARENTS

May

2 Earl William Clark, Jr.
 2 Patricia May Machia
 3 Janice Edith Gould
 3 Craig Austin Phelon
 6 Gloria Jean Forte
 10 John Raymond Gay
 11 Ruth Ann Salamon
 11 Aldea Judy Yelle
 15 Joseph Warren Burns
 17 Louis Joseph Gancorz, Jr.
 21 Joseph Mastalerz, Jr.
 21 Kathleen Lilian Shepard
 22 Johanna Staniszewski
 24 Donald S. Ridz
 25 Gordon Henry Kenyon
 27 Kathleen May Chaffee
 28 Frank Dougal

Earl W. and Amelia
 Donald E. and Mary T.
 Robert E. and Bernice M.
 Arthur N. and Helen M.
 Clayton and Lena
 Ernest C. Jr. and Aurelia M.
 Walter J. and Anna
 James B. and Edith M.
 Cedric P. and Edna D.
 Louis J. and Sophie P.
 Joseph and Mary
 Stanley F. and Doris L.
 Joey H. and Angelina C.
 Stanley and Catherine
 Charles J. and Charlotte P.
 George E. and Alice M.
 John A. and Stephanie I.

June

5 Robert Charles Bell
 5 Linda June Sweetman
 7 Marie Vivian Demers
 10 Carol Frances Newman
 12 Joyce Ann Gunn
 16 Floyd Joseph Roman
 16 Adelaide Marie Wilbur
 20 Michele Topor
 21 Constance Kos
 21 Terry Dean Logan
 24 Francis Earl Hooper
 24 Charlotte Kowalczyk
 25 Thomas Orrin Moore
 27 Nora Kulis
 27 Sandra Corinne Zawalski
 29 Doris Lucille Fontaine
 29 Marcia Louise Szczepanek
 30 Elizabeth Madeline Foisy
 30 Peter Michael Merceri

Charles W. Jr. and Ruth L.
 Timothy F. Jr. and Jeanne
 Ernest and Juliette
 Augustus Jr. and Frances E.
 Wilbur D. and Helen
 Floyd T. and Jennie
 William and Alice R.
 Michael A. and Adele M.
 Stanley W. and Helen R.
 John H. and Lorna A.
 Aubrey W. and Mary E.
 Charles W. and Victoria
 Ralph O. and Lucy
 Charles and Marion
 Walter J. and Corinne A.
 Henry and Loretta
 Stanley and Florence
 Anthony J. H. and Mary J.
 John F. and Mabel A.

DATE NAME OF CHILD

PARENTS

July

2 Beverly Hazel Brown
 6 Robert Owen Chase
 6 Floyd Edward Larson
 12 George Leonard Foskit, Jr.
 12 Robert Smigiel
 13 Walter Joseph Pietryka
 14 Stanley Paul Kulig, Jr.
 24 Paula Virginia Gumula
 25 Richard Donald Hartley
 27 Christine Derrick
 31 Francis Kulis

Erwyn L. Sr. and Hazel R.
 Robert W. and Thurley R.
 Edward and Beryl D.
 George L. and Mildred M.
 Alexander F. and Adella T.
 Frank J. and Julia B.
 Stanley P. and Mary T.
 Thaddeus A. and Virginia S.
 Donald A. and Beatrice E.
 Neale J. and Catherine A.
 William C. and Helen J.

August

6 Edward Allen Sansoucy
 7 Alfred Henry Lemieux, Jr.
 8 Sally Ann Edwards
 11 Judith Ann Murphy
 14 Maureen Margaret Conroy
 17 Richard Melvin Hamel
 20 James Anthony Medeiros
 21 Eve Ann Kordek
 22 Teresa Mae Pascale
 24 Noreen Frances Edmonds
 26 Teresa Ann Kozik
 26 Daniel Swist
 30 William Roy Malmstedt, Jr.
 30 Carl Raymond Tassinari

John B. and Sophie M.
 Alfred H. and Eleanor C.
 Harold T. and Doris M.
 James C. and Eveline V.
 Edward B. and Beatrice G.
 Melvin and Shirley
 Abel G. and Miriam A.
 Sigmund W. and Ruth E.
 Arthur A. and Irene F.
 Harold W. and Viola
 Joseph F. and Helen M.
 John F. and Julia C.
 William R. and Frances M.
 Dante R. and Irene M.

September

8 Lynn Ann Feehan
 11 Neil Irving Dennett
 13 Cynthia Marie Abare
 13 Dolores Louise Bound
 30 David William Gilman

Sheldon T. and Olive R.
 Victor T. and Winifred E.
 Alfred A. and Lillian M.
 F. Joseph and Sophie M.
 Thomas E. and Virginia T.

October

1 Leo Joseph Demers
 2 Betty Lou Hayden
 3 Richard Chester Olander

Rosario and Josephine
 Francis H. and Thelma E.
 Stanley B. and Mary C.

DATE	NAME OF CHILD	PARENTS
4	William Alexander Harris, Jr.	William A. and Wilhelmine M.
5	Lois Audre Deslaurier	Paul E. and Anna
6	Frederick Smith Potter	Ralph F. and Helen A.
6	Ernest Erwin Stacy, Jr.	Ernest E. and Wilhelmina D.
12	Bonnie Gail Nacsin	Paul J. and Myra
14	David Francis Wegiel	John M. and Ina G.
18	Linda Jan Hall	Harold F. and Charlotte R.
19	Richard Robert Russell	Robert H. L. and Verna P.
22	Donald Francis Morin	Lionel L. and Lucy P.
22	Candice Lee Vail	Laurence J. Jr. and Patience M.
25	Walter William Chase	Walter L. and Constance R.
25	Douglas Leland Kulig	Thaddeus and Virginia
25	Dianne Jean Loux	Donald J. and Violet G.
25	William George Rogers	George E. and Julia M.
27	Stanley John Stokosa	Joseph S. and Joanne D.
29	Gordon Robert Frey	Ellsworth R. and Mildred L.
30	Donna Ann Pancotti	Louis and Shirley C.
 November		
1	Peter John Chlebus	John P. and Jennie R.
6	Laurence Allen Thayer	Laurence E. and Theresa B.
7	John Michael Ditto	Peter T. and Eva K.
8	Dreane Lane Smith	William C. and Mildred H.
11	Barbara Ann Bernat	John J. and Frances A.
12	Linwood Thompson	Linwood F. and Dorothy I.
14	Henry Alfred Mercure	Alfred and Beatrice
20	Peter Cadman Chase	Allen C. and Ruth E.
21	Virginia Ruth Brothers	Clifford A. and Thelma R.
24	Ralph Bryant Lynch	Albert E. and Florence M.
24	Jonathan Sedgwick Scott	John and Anita
26	Carolyn Gibouleau	Leo J. and Anna C.
29	Richmond William Parker	Warren R. and Frances A.
30	Judith Marcia Chaples	Ernest A. Sr. and Adele A.
 December		
2	Mary Louise Domey	John M. and Nellie V.
3	Darleen Ardith DeLand	George H. and Mildred L.
3	Gerard Paul Dennis	Harold V. and Dorothy
5	Clifford Robert Marriott	Robert F. and Romanine I.
6	Kenneth Neil Southworth	Clarence and Lena
9	Frank Pietryka, Jr.	Frank and Julia A.

DATE	NAME OF CHILD	PARENTS
9	Donna Lee Smith	Frank B. and Rose M.
10	Wayne Steven Tisdale	Fred J. and Elmina E.
14	Judith Lynn Trombly	Peter and Mary A.
15	William Carl Zobka	Aloyzie A. and Josephine M.
17	Martin Stanley Zahara	Martin F. and Doris I.
20	Sandra Pearl Nevue	Charles E. and Josephine M.
21	Marilyn Jane Tyler	Warren E. and Ellen
22	Cecelia Vera Orszulak	Sylvester A. and Helen A.
24	Roy Jean Blake, Jr.	Roy J. and Alice L.
29	Constance Ann Kosciuczyk	Sigmund and Helen I.
30	Beverly Meldrin	Zefrino and Anna

Marriages 1945

DATE	GROOM	RESIDENCE	BRIDE	RESIDENCE
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January

6	Michael L. O'Connor	Palmer	Shirley B. Purchase	W. Springfield
16	Sheldon T. Feehan	Ware	Olive R. Lambert	Palmer
20	Charles E. Dawson	Palmer	Irene M. Werme	Palmer
27	Everett L. Chaffee	Palmer	Jennie M. Gaulin	So. Hadley
27	Owen McHugh, Jr.	Ware	Helen C. Kusek	Palmer
27	Leo O. Rondeau	Palmer	Rita E. Bolduc	Ware

February

10	Edward W. Moran	Springfield	Antonia F. Czapran	Springfield
14	Wallace T. Bisnette	Palmer	Winnie M. Squires	Belchertown
24	Bernard J. Cavanaugh	Palmer	Charlotte R. Lambert	Palmer
24	James L. McCannon	W. Springfield	Grace P. Shea	W. Springfield
24	Thomas Smart	Monson	Irene R. Dunham	Palmer

March

2	Richard J. Hamilton	Palmer	Rita I. Lataille	Ware
6	Robert L. Gouvin	Palmer	Mildred B. Lynn	Palmer
13	Bernard J. Cabana	Palmer	Eunice M. Lagor	Ware
17	Carroll Dodge	Ware	Sophie C. Prohovich	Ware
17	Gerald J. P. Pottier	Palmer	Florence L. Papillon	No. Brookfield
17	Kenyon G. Gilbert	Palmer	Charlotte M. Calkins	Monson
29	George L. Madison	Westerly, R. I.	Beatrice W. Madison	Westerly, R. I.
31	Edward Kemnitz	Yonkers, N. Y.	Eleanor Nitsch	Yonkers, N. Y.

April

2	Victor G. Flebotte	Springfield	Evelyn G. Fortune	Palmer
2	Andrew J. Leveillee	Palmer	Alice E. Bisnette	Palmer

DATE	GROOM	RESIDENCE	BRIDE	RESIDENCE
2	Raymond A. Smart	Palmer	Wilhelmina I. Newton	
				Alexandria, Va.
7	Herman W. Dohms	New York, N. Y.	Irene G. Sierakowski	Palmer
7	Henry L. Dwyer	Palmer	Marcella M. Laing	
				Freeport, Minn.
14	Raymond F. Moran	Monson	Isabelle C. Libera	Palmer
15	Dominick J. Machnik	Ware	Julia F. Rodowicz	Palmer
16	William J. Harper	Ware	Constance F. Masse	Palmer
21	Warren L. Sikes	Winter Park, Fla.	Virginia M. Miller	Monson
27	Leonard E. Hasenjager	Monson	Susan S. Siegel	Palmer
28	Joseph S. Jamilowski	Ware	Julia M. Piechota	Palmer
29	Lloyd D. Snowden	Palmer	Josepha Sowa	Belchertown
30	William M. Hearn	Philadelphia, Pa.	Imogene C. Brothers	Palmer

May

5	Andrew S. P. Sasur	Palmer	Victoria S. Ziemba	Ludlow
6	Walter J. Kusek	Palmer	Josephine Siok	Brimfield
12	Frank B. Skutnik	Palmer	Edna E. Jajuga	Palmer
12	Stanley J. Strzemienski	Palmer	Veronica A. Wojnar	Hadley
16	Paul G. Lambert	Palmer	Josephine A. Gonelli	Palmer
19	Joseph J. Bolow	Palmer	Mary P. Handzel	Ware
22	Harold A. Warren, Jr.	Storrs, Ct.	Shirley I. Moore	Palmer
23	Leslie M. Thomas	Palmer	Eleanor F. Butcher	Palmer
29	Lionel H. Goddu	Palmer	Alice W. Maharne	Springfield
29	Edward St. John	Palmer	Mary L. Borgeson	Palmer

June

2	Rudolph J. Drzal	Palmer	Julia A. Cislak	Ludlow
2	Joseph J. Midura	Palmer	Anna J. Fijol	Palmer
3	Peter E. Pappas	Palmer	Helen A. Theodore	Palmer
9	Arthur J. Fontaine	Palmer	Marien L. Lusty	Palmer
10	Francis R. Nedea	Ludlow	Ann C. Lis	Palmer
10	Wilfred H. Rondeau	Palmer	Helen S. Drazek	Warren
10	Stanley W. Pietryka	Palmer	Frances T. Lasota	Palmer
11	Robert W. Nacsin	Palmer	Juanita Looney	Palmer

DATE	GROOM	RESIDENCE	BRIDE	RESIDENCE
15	Harry C. Markle	Norwich, N. Y.	Ruth G. Bilodeau	Palmer
16	Francis R. Burke	Palmer	Marguerite B. Lavigne	Palmer
16	Charles H. Burns	Palmer	Irene H. Willey	Glastonbury, Ct.
16	Charles S. Pratt	Amherst	Catherine M. Ely	Palmer
16	Francis L. Rollet	Palmer	Glenrose Brown	Belchertown
23	Gerard G. Berthiaume	Palmer	Jeannette A. Guertin	
				Southbridge
23	Richard A. Branford	Palmer	Barbara M. Crofton	Monson
23	Andrew T. Chase	Palmer	Kathleen V. Chapman	
				W. Springfield
23	Gordon E. Loux	Palmer	Dorothy M. Manley	Palmer
29	Howard Honea	Hutchinson, Kansas	Stephano Skomro	Monson
30	Henry R. Bleau	Palmer	Elsie A. Madden	No. Wilbraham
30	Louis J. Brainerd	Palmer	Priscilla Beers	Brimfield
30	William C. Crimmins	Palmer	Joy A. Wood	E. Hartford, Ct.
30	Joseph F. Dougal	Palmer	Alice M. Pula	Chicopee Falls
30	Charles P. Lanzetta	Monson	Karen G. Olsen	Palmer
30	Burton P. Rose	Palmer	Edith Norcross	Palmer
30	Joseph D. Skowyra	Palmer	Hazel M. Chaffee	Palmer
July				
1	Avedis A. Ozoonian	Andover	Servart M. Keroglian	Palmer
4	John S. Kusha	Palmer	Charlotte M. Dziadziak	
				Turners Falls
7	John W. Wawrzzonek	Palmer	Sophie A. Szlosek	Springfield
9	Leon W. Archacki	Rockville, Ct.	Mary D. Kostreba	Palmer
9	Joseph D. Hiney	Springfield	Matilda V. Topor	Palmer
9	Rudolph A. Turcotte	Ware	Dorothy A. Lapierre	Ware
14	Paul P. Siok	Palmer	Caroline E. White	W. Brimfield
17	Raymond H. Laviolette	Palmer	Lorraine M. Lynn	Palmer
19	Peter J. Styspeck	Palmer	Evelyn L. McLean	Belchertown
21	Joseph S. Fitzpatrick	Palmer	Marie A. Fredette	Springfield
21	George E. Keith	Palmer	Norma C. Healey	Ware
August				
2	Joseph Closta	Ludlow	Helen C. Karczenski	Palmer
18	Mitchell W. Duda	Palmer	Frances T. Kozlik	Ware

DATE	GROOM	RESIDENCE	BRIDE	RESIDENCE
18	Charles E. Roy	Ware	Florence S. Gruczczynski	
26	Alexander F. Sawicki	Palmer	Frances I. Glabicky	Lynn
28	Donald M. Smith	Madison, Ct.	June A. Parker	Keene, N. H.
30	Charles L. Tyburski	Palmer	Anna S. Opielowski	Belchertown

September

1	Andrew J. Campion, Jr.	Ware	Mary R. Ammann	Palmer
2	Chester P. Skok	Chicopee	Frances M. Jajuga	Palmer
2	Edward D. Murphy	Brookline	Ruth L. Grove	Palmer
3	William A. Flood	Norwood	Ann F. Topor	Palmer
3	Irvin R. Lawson	Palmer	Julia M. Rose	Palmer
4	Edward J. Drozdowski	Ludlow	Ann C. Jasak	Palmer
14	Walter A. Parker	Palmer	Doris C. Griffin	Palmer
15	Carl E. Boe	Dunn Ctr., No. Dakota	Marina N. Piligian	Springfield
15	William H. Dennis	Palmer	Lorraine A. Renaud	Ware
15	Bruce H. MacLeod	Palmer	Irene E. Levendowski	Newark, N. J.
18	Albert Gaboury	Palmer	Lena Ladouceur	West Warren
19	Paul F. Doyle	Palmer	Rita L. Mulcahy	Springfield
22	Calvin R. Librera	Springfield	Lillian A. Brothers	Palmer

October

1	Roger P. Soucy	Springfield	Althea M. Coyer	Palmer
6	Fred J. Bednarz	Springfield	Josephine B. Koss	Palmer
6	Roman M. Orszulak	West Warren	Ethel S. Zalenski	Palmer
6	Felix A. Skaza	Palmer	Lillian D. Tomei	Westfield
10	Romeo R. Bellavance	Springfield	Phyllis M. Flebotte	Springfield
13	Harold E. Fountain	Palmer	Bernadette C. Chaput	Palmer
13	Arthur R. Gouvin	Palmer	Madelaine M. Demers	Ware
14	John A. Jellen	Stafford Spgs. Ct.	Felicia C. Bysiewicz	Palmer

DATE	GROOM	RESIDENCE	BRIDE	RESIDENCE
17	William L. McDonald		Grace Gibson	Isonville, Ky.
		Palmer		
17	Daniel F. Sugrue	Palmer	Victoria E. Ziemba	Palmer
20	James D. Burbine	Palmer	Dorothea R. Richards	Monson
20	John L. Gula	Quincy	Stephanie A. Pilch	Palmer
20	Don W. Lovell	Palmer	Beatrice D. Robichaud	
				Springfield
21	Stanley J. Swiatlowski		Celia T. Lis	Palmer
		Palmer		
27	John Q. Berry	Worcester	Elizabeth I. Cornish	Palmer
27	Walter J. Krzysztofik		Jennie A. Szydlik	Southbridge
		Palmer		
27	William T. Lynch		Helen T. Czajka	Palmer
		West Warren		

November

3	Richard A. Gilman	Roslindale	Marion I. Fuller	Palmer
3	Joseph P. Kajka	Palmer	Nellie R. Golash	Williamsburg
14	Aram Nahabedian	Palmer	Mary F. Dane	Palmer
17	Elwyn G. Abbott	Palmer	Jean A. Clark	Palmer
17	Stanley J. Bycenski		Genevieve S. Mazur	Hardwick
		Palmer		
17	Alvin L. Evasius	Palmer	Julia A. Hull	Monson
18	Leo J. Picard	Springfield	Clara Lafskina	Palmer
22	Ephraim A. Lanou	Ware	Lena R. Chalue	Palmer
22	Michael Russo	Palmer	Rita E. St. Amand	Palmer
24	Anthony C. Walulak		Stella M. Pawlowski	Palmer
		Palmer		
29	Walter J. Wnuk	Palmer	Jane M. Szetela	Chicopee Falls

December

1	Stephen J. Wrubel		Julaine A. Gunsolley	
		Palmer		Los Angeles, Calif.
8	James J. Naffah	Palmer	Josephine R. Turco	Palmer
13	Alfred J. Santos	Palmer	Catherine S. Sage	Chicopee
14	Robert S. Forsman		Muriel O. Woodhouse	Palmer
		Palmer		

DATE	GROOM	RESIDENCE	BRIDE	RESIDENCE
14	Kenneth E. Howe, Sr.	Palmer	Winifred M. Dubuque	Palmer
15	Wilfred E. Maurice	Worcester	Albina Hrebenkow	Palmer
15	John S. Naglack	Stafford Spgs., Ct.	Jean E. Ryan	Palmer
22	Chester R. Peers	Hoopeston, Ill.	Dorothy M. Vennert	Palmer
25	Charles S. Brightman	Palmer	M. Janet McCleary	Palmer
26	Henry J. Leclair	Holyoke	Myrella B. Beriault	Palmer

Deaths 1945

January

4	Mary Griffin	90	4	2
6	Mary E. Bonneville	66	—	—
8	Thomas William Mansfield	75	10	21
10	Catherine A. Ramsden	73	—	—
13	Lawrence Paul Bryant	—	—	14
14	Jeremiah Francis Sullivan	70	—	—
18	Delia J. Griswold	63	—	—
18	Loren Collins Trumble	68	—	—
25	Martha Bryans	73	1	30
26	Catherine Moriarty	83	—	—
29	Michael Martone	56	—	—
30	Blanche Vaughan	74	6	21

February

8	Norma Chaffee	2	—	8
8	Cora Elizabeth Clough	77	10	13
9	Walter A. Darling	80	—	29
12	Heaton Binns	77	10	26
16	Matte Neveu	69	5	—
20	Jane M. Peace	68	5	2
22	Charles R. Holden	46	7	11

March

3	Charles Henry Lamay	—	3	—
6	Monna Gertrude Dingman	54	6	26
7	Louis Edwards Chandler	82	6	1
10	Mary Catherine Sullivan	73	2	13
17	Joseph B. Orluk	56	—	—
18	Mary Ciolkowski	58	—	—
18	Marceline Fortin	92	—	—
20	Zephire Lacoste	79	1	15
26	Grace Dunham	49	10	17

April

3	James P. King	76	—	—
5	Annie Mary Peterson	74	—	11
17	Alice Kelliher	74	—	—

DATE	NAME	YEARS	MONTHS	DAYS
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18	Robert Frank Bragiel	—	3	8
20	David E. Maguire	67	6	26
21	Bessie May Blodgett	74	6	17
21	John O. Fedder	83	8	10
25	Jan Swiader	77	—	—
27	Alice Mariam Shaw	83	5	19

May

4	Virginia Coyer	82	3	2
13	Robert Randall	3	6	15
16	Elmer Herbert Powell	66	3	8
17	Richard J. Hamilton	21	—	—
17	Anna Papuzenski	61	—	—
27	Victor Hawes Wesson	54	7	21
28	Julia Michon	34	5	5
30	Willard Chipman Hitchcock	93	1	6

June

5	Sarah Hughes	54	8	19
6	Andrew Merritt	78	10	24
9	Francois Bessette	56	—	—
10	Anna Dojka	53	—	—
12	Catherine Josephine Moore	82	7	12
13	Florence Veber	45	10	1
18	Pierre Richard Bleau	1	2	15
19	Frederick Abner Blodgett	85	8	6
20	Peter Brouilette	57	7	26
22	Stanley Rodowicz	50	—	—
23	Thomas H. Greenway	44	5	9

July

5	Nellie Gilmartin	65	—	—
10	Francis Eugene Webster	73 (about)	—	—
20	Charles Almond Mansfield	78	—	20
25	Joseph J. Strzemienski	63	—	—
26	Mary Frances Daley	68	—	23

August

1	Chester Frank Wysmutek	21	7	1
2	Alfred Stanley Bryans	40	7	25

DATE	NAME	YEARS	MONTHS	DAYS
2	Edith Charlotte Gillis	68	6	3
3	Frances Frydryk	61	—	—
4	Michael Fenton	62	—	—
5	Mary Ella Carson	68	2	25
15	Bernard James Otis	29	11	—
17	Charles G. Favor	82	3	27
24	Eve Ann Kordek	—	—	3
29	Szczepan F. Matera	69	—	—
29	Dorothy Healey Roche	37	5	23

September

2	DeWitt L. Richards	85	—	19
5	Bernice Warka	31	10	—
16	Georgietta MacIntire	70	4	19
16	Lena Elizabeth Reed	78	2	9
21	Victoria T. Orluk	17	2	17
22	Katherine Cecelia McGuan	63	9	11
28	Herbert Leroy Capen	62	—	—
29	Henry Stanislaw Brouillette	59	9	4

October

1	Edward Polka	40	—	—
6	George Andrew Moore	74	1	12
9	Carl Theodore Carlson	58	8	18
9	Catherine A. Shea	67	2	17
13	John P. Broskie	59	—	—
13	John T. Maloney	84	8	10
15	Horace Ruthven Paine	89	11	20
15	Waclaw Przybylski	75	—	—
19	Charles Samuel Talmadge	71	9	24
21	Mary Baldyga	52	—	—
22	Maria Charlotte Wirstrom	73	11	2
27	Frank Joseph Brodeur	65	—	11
28	William Seymour Ferguson	78	3	3
29	Isabelle MacDonald Hamilton	71	8	7
29	Oviatt Lewis Maxwell	61	4	11

November

1	John Patrick O'Connor	63	8	11
5	Inez Lenard	46	11	13

DATE	NAME	YEARS	MONTHS	DAYS
5	Georgiana Mayotte	60	9	17
7	Lyman Leon Keith	80	6	15
8	Anastasio Prosperi	74	—	—
15	Mary Wanicki	59	—	—
20	Mary Susan Yeddo	70 (about)		
23	Theresa U. Church	35	11	22
23	Albert Burdick Sanderson	69	7	3
24	Florence Pelletier	29	2	23
26	Anna Krzynowek	82	—	—

December

2	Myrtie L. Booth	62	1	2
2	Murphy, John B.	46	6	0
5	Kirkor Toshikian	58	1	23
8	Ellen T. Quirk	75	—	27
13	Beulah Thomas	74	4	13
19	Mary Wazocha	62	11	25
20	Jennie Breckenridge Brainerd	70	11	3
21	William Kennedy	78	10	—
21	Agata Swiader	78	—	—
25	Apolonia Midura	60	—	—
27	Erore Joseph Boutin	66	3	17

1945

Report of Tax Collector

Account of 1943

Outstanding January 1, 1945	\$1,311.42
Interest and Demands	84.96
	\$1,396.38
Paid Treasurer	1,297.75
Abatements	63.63
Added to Tax Titles	35.00
	1,396.38

Account of 1944

Outstanding January 1, 1945	14,231.27
Additional Assessors' warrant to be collected	10.00
Interest and Demands	273.60
Real Estate Tax Abated After Payment	17.50
	14,532.37
Paid Treasurer	13,671.56
Abatements	3,718.57
Added to Tax Titles	35.00
	13,951.05
Outstanding December 31, 1945	581.32

Account of 1945

Assessors' Warrants to be Collected	281,630.57
Interest and Demands	143.54
Motor Vehicle Excise Taxes	
Abated After Payment	123.66
Real Estate Tax	
Abated After Payment	44.40
	—————
	281,942.17
Paid Treasurer	260,828.01
Abatemens	3,718.57
Added to Tax Titles	125.80
	—————
	264,672.38
Outstanding December 31, 1945	17,269.79

Fox Street Sidewalk — 1943

Outstanding January 1, 1945	133.38
Interest	4.00
	—————
	137.38
Paid Treasurer	39.64
	—————
Outstanding December 31, 1945	97.74

JOHN T. BROWN

Collector of Taxes

Treasurer's Report

RECEIPTS

Balance on hand January 1, 1945,	\$255,651.41
John T. Brown, Tax Collector:	
Taxes, 1943	\$1,212.79
Interest and Demands, 1943	84.96
Sidewalk Assessment, 1943	35.64
Interest on Sidewalk	
Assessment, 1943	4.00
Taxes, 1944	13,397.96
Interest and Demands, 1944	273.60
Taxes, 1945	260,684.47
Interest and Demands, 1945	143.54
Withholding Tax Deductions	22,880.10
Sale of Tax Possessions,	1,425.00
Commonwealth of Massachusetts:	
Taxes, Reimbursements, etc.	186,035.04
Chapter 90, Contract No. 9449	999.94
County of Hampden:	
Dog Refund,	1,136.30
Chapter 90, Contract No. 9449	999.94
All Other Sources	23,919.17
	513,232.45
	\$768,883.86

DISBURSEMENTS

Paid out on Selectmen's Warrants	\$444,887.36
Balance on hand December 31, 1945	323,996.50
	\$768,883.86

ROBERT L. McDONALD,
Town Treasurer

Report of Board of Selectmen

The Selectmen submit the following report for the year 1945:

The Board organized with Daniel W. O'Connor as Chairman and Peter Warakomski as Secretary.

The following appointments were made: Hon. Ernest E. Hobson, Town Counsel; Harriette Paine, Bookkeeper; Jeremiah Lamery, Supt. of Highways; Robert L. McDonald, Clerk of Highways; Walter H. Cambo, Moth Supt.; Charles O. Murphy, Auctioneer; Howard Banks, Janitor of Lockup; Kjeld Johnson, Keeper of Dump; Victor French and George E. Rogers, Town Engineers; Albert A. Boissy, Sealer of Weights and Measures; George S. Gay, Animals.

A total of ten and one-third miles of highway were oiled, using 42,396 gallons of oil. One thousand, two hundred and thirty feet of Type 1 used for walks and driveways and ten new sewer services completed.

We wish to thank Police and all other town officials for services rendered during the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

DANIEL W. O'CONNOR

PETER F. WARAKOMSKI

GEORGE B. CHENEY

Report of Assessors

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and Citizens of the Town of Palmer, The Board of Assessors, respectfully submit the following report for the year ending December 31, 1945:

Town Appropriations:

To be raised by taxation	\$395,743.24
To be taken from available funds	2,826.03
Maturing Debt and Interest	5,272.50
State Tax	9,248.00
State Parks and Reservations	346.11
State Audit	652.09
State Guard	442.57
County Tax	12,254.24
Tuberculosis Hospital Assessment	622.59
Overlay	10,644.76
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	\$438,052.13

Estimated Receipts

Income Tax	\$29,312.97
Corporation Taxes	64,264.26
Reimbursement, State-owned land	162.69
Gasoline Tax	15,745.00
Motor Vehicle Excise	8,000.00
Licenses	7,600.00
Fines	700.00
Protection of Persons and Property	150.00
Health and Sanitation	200.00
Highways	500.00
Charities	4,000.00
Old Age Assistance	20,000.00

Old Age Tax (Meals)	1,250.00
Soldiers' Benefits	600.00
Schools	4,000.00
Interest on Taxes and Assessments	500.00
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Total Estimated Receipts	\$156,984.92
To be taken from available funds	2,826.03
Available funds	5,000.00
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Total Estimated Receipts and Available Funds	\$164,810.95
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Net amount to be raised by Taxation	\$273,241.18
Less 3,196 Polls at \$2.00 each	6,392.00
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Total amount to be raised by taxation on Property	\$266,849.18

Tax Rate: \$37.00 per M

Assessed Valuation for 1945

Personal Estate	\$1,123,505.00
Buildings, exclusive of land	4,552,915.00
Land, exclusive of buildings	1,535,720.00
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Total Valuation	\$7,212,140.00

	All		
Number of Persons assessed	Individuals	Others	Total
On Personal Estate	190	20	210
On Real Estate	1270	60	1330
On both Personal and Real Estate	350	20	370
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			1910

Number of Live Stock assessed

Horses	87
Cows	595
Yearlings	150
Bulls	20
Swine	34
Sheep	2
Fowl	6375
Goats	20

Number of acres of land assessed 18,339

Number of dwelling houses assessed 1,560

**RECAPITULATION OF MOTOR VEHICLE
AND TRAILER EXCISE**

Com- mitm't	Date of Commitm't	Num- ber	Value	Excise
First	May 1 1945	1317	\$140,130.00	\$5,005.36
Second	Sept 1 1945	719	78,400.00	2,635.47
Third	Nov 1 1945	114	25,270.00	480.73
Fourth	Dec 22 1945	70	6,930.00	143.81
Fifth	Dec 31 1945	11	4,320.00	26.02
Total for 1945		2231	\$255,050.00	\$8,291.39

Excise Tax Rate: \$35.60 per M

Abatements granted on Motor Vehicle Excise Tax

1943 Levy	\$ 2.91
1944 Levy	36.99
1945 Levy	193.55

Abatements granted on 1943 Tax Levy

Poll Tax	\$ 14.00
Personal	42.35
Real Estate	4.37

Abatements granted on 1944 Tax Levy

Poll Tax	\$22.00
Personal	15.75
Real Estate	169.75

Abatements granted on 1945 Tax Levy

Poll Tax	\$2,028.00
Personal	66.97
Real Estate	1,430.05

Tax Title Account abatement granted	\$5,245.96
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Respectfully submitted,

DAVID B. SMITH

OSCAR F. BRESSETTE

LUDWIK MARHELEWICZ

List of Jurors

In accordance with Chapter 234 of General Laws, the Selectmen of the Town of Palmer have prepared the following list of inhabitants of said Town of Palmer as qualified to serve as jurors for the year beginning July 1st, 1945:

PRECINCT A

James Rathbone	Central St., Palmer
Grover C. Smith	5 Fenton St., Palmer
Frank J. Splaine	20 Grove St., Palmer
James R. DeMaio	11 Maple St., Palmer
Leo H. Roberge	15 Oak St., Palmer
James J. Sullivan	23 Park St., Palmer
Maurice Kelley	12 Pine St., Palmer
George Scott	Smith St., Palmer
Neil R. Thompson	120 Thorndike St., Palmer
James A. Vennert	Wilbraham St., Palmer
John W. Carlson	Brown St., Palmer
John J. Kenney	Brown St., Palmer
Alfred E. Goodhind	Brown St., Palmer
Levi Cole	Central St., Palmer
John S. Huggard	Breckenridge St., Palmer
Leslie R. Keith	Central St., Palmer
James H. Mulvey	South Main St., Palmer
Samuel J. Mullen	Green St., Palmer
Joseph M. Russo	Chestnut St., Palmer
Leopold Laviolette	North Main St., Palmer
William J. Doyle	Pine St., Palmer
Wilfred L. Dupre	Park St., Palmer
Walter P. Kartz	563 North Main St., Palmer
Robert B. Mackintosh	571 North Main St., Palmer

Garton J. Quimby	42 Pine St., Palmer
John J. Culnane	46 Pine St., Palmer
Walter J. Phaneuf	298 South Main St., Palmer
John J. Terry	17 Church St., Palmer
Trevor A. Baker	14 Walnut St., Palmer
Harold E. Curtin	10 Foster St., Palmer
Francis C. Blair	84 Pleasant St., Palmer
James W. Duffy	17 Brown St., Palmer
Oliver E. Reim	Pine St., Palmer
Ladislas Laviolette	560 North Main St., Palmer
Edward E. Denning	243 South Main St., Palmer
Oscar J. Tryon	17 Pearl St., Palmer
David Davis	20 Maple St., Palmer
Julius Riel	21 Arnold St., Palmer
Homer W. Smart	8 Pine St., Palmer
Ernest Hey	Brown St., Palmer

PRECINCT B

Geo. Fortune	Center St., Thorndike
William H. St. Amand	Church St., Thorndike
Chester A. Bogacz	Church St., Thorndike
Henry J. Kosmider	Commercial St., Thorndike
Bernard R. Cantwell	Commercial St., Thorndike
Arthur Lord, Jr.	Church St., Thorndike
Stanley I. Janosz	Church St., Thorndike
George E. Rogers	Church St., Thorndike
Martin M. Brosnan	High St., Thorndike
Robert P. Barton	High St., Thorndike
Francis G. LaForest	River St., Thorndike
Carlos E. Sullivan	Summer St., Thorndike
Harold S. Crane	Church St., Thorndike
Moise Cadieux	65 Church St., Thorndike
William S. Siok	30 Church St., Thorndike
Edward A. Reynolds	High St., Thorndike
Stanley G. Wilk	High St., Thorndike

PRECINCT C

Harold A. Chamberlain	Maple Ter., Three Rivers
Aime E. Poulin	Belanger St., Three Rivers
Isaac Ritchie	Maple Ter., Three Rivers
Harry W. Stein	Maple Ter., Three Rivers
Alfred Zeigler	Baptist Hill, Three Rivers
Ernest V. Lundquist	Maple Ter., Three Rivers
Anthony S. Klekotka	Belchertown St., Three Rivers
George J. Magoni	Belanger St., Three Rivers
Ronald R. Dubuque	Maple Ter., Three Rivers
Stanley A. Wojtowicz	North St., Three Rivers
Stanley Zuhowski	High St., Three Rivers
Frank T. Pytka	North St., Three Rivers
Orlin F. Rogers	Maple Ter., Three Rivers
Edward Nadolny	Maple St., Three Rivers
Elmer A. Palm	Maple St., Three Rivers
William T. Cole	Maple Ter., Three Rivers
Theodore D. Roberts	Maple Ter., Three Rivers
Edward W. Roman	Bourne St., Three Rivers
Henry M. Senecal	Bourne St., Three Rivers
Dennis J. Horgan	Main St., Three Rivers
Edward Bachand	11 Springfield St., Three Rivers
Harvey W. Barber	21 Ruggles St., Three Rivers
William Wysmutek	21 Monat St., Three Rivers
Gabryel Skowronek	110 Belchertown St., Three Rivers
Stanley J. Klaus	Palmer Rd., Three Rivers
Joseph Sirard	Main St., Three Rivers
Joseph P. T. Belanger	Main St., Three Rivers
Aylmer C. Giroux	Maple St., Three Rivers
Eugene F. Flaherty	Maple St., Three Rivers

PRECINCT D

Edward T. Pollack	State St., Bondsville
Joseph W. Mastalerz	168 High St., Bondsville
Harold F. Lamb	Pine St., Bondsville
Henning W. Forsman	Palmer St., Bondsville

Charles H. Sharratt	Pine St., Bondsville
Michael Mikna	Pine St., Bondsville
Thomas J. Fitzgerald	South High St., Bondsville
Leo H. Labonte	South High St., Bondsville
Joseph J. Klaus	High St., Bondsville
Joseph F. Lusty	South Main St., Bondsville
Robert C. Hayes	14 Hill St., Bondsville
Romeo P. Beauregard	182 High St., Bondsville
Lawrence F. Donovan	State St., Bondsville
Michael Mega	Main St., Bondsville

D. W. O'CONNOR

P. F. WARAKOMSKI

GEORGE B. CHENEY

Board of Selectmen

Report of Town Bookkeeper

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

Palmer, Massachusetts:

Gentlemen:

I hereby submit my report of Receipts and Expenditures for the Town of Palmer for the fiscal year ending December 31, 1945.

RECEIPTS

Taxes for Current Year

Poll	\$ 4,416.00
Personal	41,161.74
Real Estate	207,222.61
Motor Vehicle Excise	7,884.12
	\$260,684.47

Taxes for Previous Years

Poll	32.00
Personal	159.41
Real Estate	14,225.57
Motor Vehicle Excise	193.77
	\$ 14,610.75

Sidewalk Assessment — (1943)	35.64
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	\$ 35.64
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Sale of Tax Possessions

Sale Price, Tax Title No. 33	100.00
Sale Price, Tax Title No. 13	275.00
Sale Price, Tax Titles Nos. 6 & 8	800.00
Sale Price, Tax Title No. 41	250.00
	\$ 1,425.00

Taxes from State

Income	33,324.20
Corporation	67,882.26
Meal Tax, Old Age Assistance	1,593.19
	\$102,799.65

Fines and Forfeits

Court Fines	522.55
	\$ 522.55

Withholding Tax

Amount withheld during 1945	22,880.10
	\$ 22,880.10

Blue Cross and Blue Shield

Amount withheld during 1945	246.20
	\$ 246.20

Licenses and Permits

Bicycle Registrations	\$15.25
Dog	1,266.80
Peddlers	60.00
Junk. Licenses and Privileges	208.00

Sunday	30.00
Pool and Billiards	58.00
Agents	4.00
Used Car Dealers	10.00
Firearms	2.00
Auctioneers	4.00
Innholders	1,535.00
Common Victualers	2,268.00
Club	1,500.00
Package	900.00
Drug	300.00
Seasonal	500.00
Roadside Stand	125.00
One Day	5.00
	—————
	\$ 8,791.05

Grants and Gifts

From County — Dog Licenses	\$ 1,136.30
	—————
	\$ 1,136.30

From Federal Government for:—

Old Age Assistance	\$ 22,168.52
Old Age Administration	738.90
Dependent Children — Aid	2,571.37
Dependent Children — Adm.	211.91
Vocational Schools	1,816.88
	—————
	\$ 27,507.58

From State:—

Highway Fund	15,745.00
Health	50.71
	—————
	\$ 15,795.71

General Government

Street Light Account	\$	8.50
Sale of Old Lumber		10.00
Sale of Summer Street Bridge		100.00
Rent of Town House		106.00
Forest Fire Account		50.75
Tax Title Foreclosure		6.00
Sale of Observation Tower		27.50
		\$ 308.75

Protection of Persons and Property

Sealing Fees		\$190.00
		\$ 190.00

Health Department

Licenses for:

Alcohol	\$	6.00
Slaughtering and Poultry Dressing		2.00
Ice Cream and Frozen Desserts		65.00
Pasteurization		50.00
Milk and Oleo.		34.50
Undertakers		6.00
Bottling		40.00
Overnight Cabins		2.00
		\$ 205.50

Highway Department

Sewer Connections		\$225.00
Loading Gravel		102.00
Use of Equipment		514.75
Guard Rail Repairs		35.05
Catch Basins		38.40
		\$ 915.20

Chapter 90 Maintenance

State	\$999.94
County	999.94
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	\$ 1,999.88

Public Welfare**Infirmary:**

Board	\$411.00
Sale of Hay	35.00
Sale of Wood	200.00
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	\$ 646.00

Reimbursement for Aid Rendered:

State	\$1,917.55
Cities and Towns	2,658.96
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	\$ 4,576.51

Old Age Assistance**Reimbursement for Aid Rendered:**

State	\$25,918.77
Cities and Towns	5,677.66
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	\$ 31,596.43

Aid to Dependent Children**Reimbursement for Aid Rendered**

State	\$2,615.56
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	\$ 2,615.56

Soldiers' Benefits

State Aid	\$110.00
Military Aid	480.00
World War II	845.75
Soldiers' Burial	100.00
	—————
	\$ 1,535.75

Education

Tuition:

State Training School	\$3,536.73
Town of Wilbraham	400.00
Individuals	125.00

Sundry Receipts:

Rent	694.01
Sale of Mdse.	312.89
	—————
	\$ 5,068.63

Cemeteries

Sale of Lots	\$517.00
Care of Lots	1,425.73
Grading Lots	28.00
Opening Graves	855.00
Foundations	319.14
	—————
	\$ 3,144.87

Interest

On Taxes:

Interest	\$461.85
Demands	40.25
On Sidewalk Assessment	4.00

On Public Trust Funds:—

Merrick Fund	17.00
Thompson Fund	19.02
Cemetery Perpetual Care Funds	861.73
	—————
	\$ 1,403.85

Legion Field

Rent of Baseball Field	\$35.00
	—————
	\$ 35.00

Veterans' Service Center

Photostat Work	\$27.60
	—————
	\$ 27.60

Agency and Trust

Cemetery Perpetual Care Funds	\$1,625.00
	—————
	\$ 1,625.00

Refunds

Loss of Taxes	\$162.69
Insurance	263.55
Bounty on Wildcat	10.00
General Departments	466.68
	—————
	\$ 902.92
Total Receipts	\$513,232.45
Cash on Hand January 1, 1945	255,651.41
	—————
	\$768,883.86

PAYMENTS

General Government

Selectmen's Department:

Salaries of Board	\$1,600.00
Auctioneer	10.00
Stationery and Postage	2.00
Printing and Advertising	221.19
Car Fare	94.10
Supplies	23.27
Telephones	164.92
Sundry Items	9.55
	\$ 2,125.03

Selectmen's Contingent Account:

Spot Light	\$ 21.83
Outside Fires	881.22
Finance Committee	65.00
Tin Can and Paper Drive	59.33
Honor Roll	50.00
Bounty on Wildcat	10.00
Sundry Items	127.20
	\$ 1,214.58

Town Office:

Rent	\$1,500.00
Care	360.00
Lights	105.30
	\$ 1,965.30

Auditing and Accounting:

Auditing	\$ 90.00
Accounting	1,980.00
	\$ 2,070.00

Treasurer's Department:

Salary	\$2,220.00
Clerical Hire	300.00
Surety Bond	181.00
Supplies	86.57
Stationery and Postage	290.55
Printing and Advertising	35.37
Carfare, etc.	28.50
Sundry Items	55.15
	—————
	\$ 3,197.14

Town Clerk's Department:

Salary	\$615.00
Surety Bond	5.00
Supplies	30.25
Stationery and Postage	57.44
Printing and Advertising	10.81
Sundry Items	16.89
	—————
	\$ 735.39

Election and Registration:

Registrars	\$200.00
Election Officers	254.00
Clerical Work	2.10
Printing and Advertising	371.24
Carfare	6.00
Listing Names	170.13
Sundry Items	61.83
	—————
	\$ 1,065.30

Collector's Department:

Salary for 1945	\$1,710.00
Clerk	1,040.00
Supplies	46.25

Stationery and Postage	188.78
Printing and Advertising	98.05
Telephone	33.57
Surety Bond	302.50
Sundry Items	31.73
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	\$ 3,450.88

Assessor's Department:

Salaries of Board	\$2,400.00
Clerk	1,544.40
Drafting and Work on Maps	141.00
Stationery and Postage	225.56
Printing and Advertising	2.92
Carfares, Auto Hire and Travel	337.69
Telephone	6.80
Sundry Items	78.56
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	\$ 4,736.93

Law and Claim:

Town Counsel	\$600.00
Property Agent	260.00
Claims	50.00
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	\$ 910.00

License Commissioners:

Clerical Hire	\$ 29.00
Postage	3.00
Transportation	20.50
Telephone	18.00
Printing	12.50
Sundry Items	4.14
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	\$ 87.14

Town House:

Janitor	\$ 18.50
Fuel	45.00
Lights	17.94
Janitor's Supplies	2.10
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	\$ 83.54

Town Dump:

Care	\$780.00
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	\$ 780.00

Planning Board:

Transportation	\$ 12.30
Supplies	1.35
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	\$ 13.65

Estimated Receipts:

One-half of Bottling Permits to State	\$ 20.00
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	\$ 20.00

Total for General Government	\$ 22,454.88
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Protection of Persons and Property

Police Department:

Chief	\$3,300.00
Deputy Chief	2,640.00
Day Patrol	2,640.00
Night Patrol	3,009.60
Special Police	3,144.27
Transportation for Chief	700.00
Extra Car Hire	127.00
Telephones	198.01

Motorcycle Upkeep	16.65
Lights	14.00
Stationery and Postage	50.46
Printing	9.25
Sundry Items	48.19
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	\$ 15,897.43

Chief's Office:

Rent	\$240.00
Telephone and Toll Calls	32.04
Bicycle Registrations	12.00
Sundry	2.00
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	\$ 286.04

Lockup:

Rent	\$1,250.00
Care	240.00
Lights	45.03
Telephone	39.00
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	\$ 1,574.03

Tree Department:

Labor	\$672.50
Trucks	100.00
Equipment	21.65
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	\$ 794.15

Forest Fire Department:

Salary of Warden	\$300.00
Labor	796.25
Telephone	22.30

New Truck	4,500.00
New Hose	763.21
Equipment	43.85
Trucks and Lunches	79.99
Storage	16.00
Gas and Oil	28.21
Sundry Items	35.07
	\$ 6,584.88

Sealer of Weights and Measures:

Salary	\$690.00
Transportation	99.96
Equipment and Supplies	25.90
Telephone	21.96
Stationery and Postage	2.28
	\$ 840.10

Moth Department:

Labor	\$525.80
Trucks	88.00
Spraying Trees	350.00
	\$ 963.80

Total for Protection of Persons and Property \$26,940.43

Health Department

General Administration:

Salary of Board	\$300.00
Salary of Clerk	220.00
Stationery and Postage	33.56
Printing and Advertising	33.16
Telephones	80.72
Sundry Items	45.63
	\$ 713.07

Quarantine and Contagious Diseases:

Medical Attendance	\$ 81.00
Hospital Care	80.89
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	\$ 161.89

Tuberculosis:

County Hospital Maintenance	\$622.59
Westfield State Hospital	1,237.50
Rutland State Hospital	546.00
Rutland Training Center	243.63
Tewksbury State Hospital	214.50
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	\$ 2,864.22

Meat and Milk Inspection:

Meat	\$120.00
Milk	416.90
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	\$ 536.90

Toxin-Antitoxin	\$100.00
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	\$ 100.00
District Nurse	\$1,000.00
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	\$ 1,000.00

Vital Statistics:

Births	\$213.00
Deaths	78.50
Marriages	69.00
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	\$ 360.50

Total for Health Department	\$ 5,736.58
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Highway Department

General Repairs:

Superintendent	\$1,597.55
Clerk	360.00
Office Expenses	13.45
Labor	10,327.55
Grits, Gravel, etc.	516.17
Equipment and Repairs	2,474.79
Gas and Oil	867.75
Road Oil	495.97
Lights	143.06
Telephones	143.57
Sundry Items	52.07
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	\$ 16,991.93

Snow Removal:

Superintendent	\$425.00
Labor	3,554.65
Trucks	31.25
Equipment and Repairs	623.85
Gas and Oil	401.14
Sand	946.08
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	\$ 5,981.97

Oiling Roads:

Superintendent	\$241.25
Labor	1,514.45
Equipment and Repairs	2.65
Grits and Sand	748.20
Gas and Oil	660.30
Asphalt	2,833.02
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	\$ 5,999.87

Chapter 90:

Superintendent	\$249.00
Labor	1,789.55
Sand	362.70
Asphalt	598.58
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	\$ 2,999.83

Fox Street:

Superintendent	\$ 30.00
Labor	103.65
Sand and Gravel	62.56
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	\$ 196.21

Dublin Street:

Superintendent	\$ 15.00
Labor	88.15
Sand and Gravel	31.88
Gas and Oil	5.90
Asphalt	43.12
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	\$ 184.05

Sidewalks and Curbing:

Superintendent	\$120.00
Labor	773.25
Colprovia	276.65
Gas and Oil	28.51
Cement	1.50
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	\$ 1,199.91

Shearer Street Sewer:

Superintendent	\$ 25.00
Labor	257.45

Sand	6.50
Tile	63.60
Gas and Oil	4.04
	\$ 356.59

Sewer—Hill and Church Streets:

Superintendent	\$130.00
Labor	816.85
Cement and Sand	26.00
Gas and Oil	4.75
Tile Pipe	313.72
Hose	7.75
	\$ 1,299.07

Sewers and Culverts:

Superintendent	\$228.85
Labor	1,674.05
Equipment	278.97
Tile Pipe	79.11
Gas and Oil	36.97
Sundry Items	1.82
	\$ 2,299.77

Sewer, Chestnut Street:

Superintendent	\$ 15.00
Labor	181.40
Cement	.75
Tile Pipe	94.80
Hose	7.75
	\$ 299.70

Memorial Plots:

Labor	\$608.70
Equipment	11.25
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	\$ 619.95

Street Lighting:

Per Contract	\$11,649.69
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	\$ 11,649.69

Total for Highways

\$50,078.54

Support of Poor**General Administration:**

Salary of Board	\$600.00
Salary of Secretary	1,210.00
Salary of Town Physician	500.00
Salary of Clerk	550.00
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	\$ 2,860.00

Town Infirmary:

Salary of Warden	\$1,500.00
Groceries and Provisions	1,545.54
Dry Goods and Clothing	121.35
Supplies	78.43
Fuel and Light	498.87
Transportation	39.50
Grain	319.00
Repairs	30.71
Telephones	43.24
Papers	14.37
Vetinary	29.00
Medicine	52.37
Sundry Items	67.14
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	\$ 4,339.52

Outside Poor:

Cash	\$587.85
Clothing	94.71
Groceries and Provisions	1,278.36
Coal and Wood	187.46
Board and Care	1,668.59
Hospital Medicine and Medical Care	1,185.39
Rent	177.63
Transportation	64.00
Postage	9.00
Telephones	97.83
Sundry Items	50.32

	\$ 5,400.64

Aid by Other Cities and Towns:

Cities	\$790.75
Towns	256.92

	\$ 1,047.67

Aid for State

	\$ 612.49

	\$ 612.49

Burial

	\$ 112.00

	\$ 112.00

Total for Support of Poor

\$ 14,372.32

Old Age Assistance

General Administration:

Salary of Board	\$300.00
Salary of Secretary	650.00
Salary of Clerk	460.00

	\$ 1,410.00

Assistance:

Cash	\$38,781.62
For other Cities and Towns	6,223.20
By other Cities and Towns	654.64
For State	12,005.32
Indirect Payments	1,702.21
Telephone	9.39
Sundry Items	388.55
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	\$ 59,764.93
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Total for Old Age Assistance	\$ 61,174.93

Aid to Dependent Children**General Administration:**

Salary of Secretary	\$330.00
Salary of Clerk	60.00
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	\$ 390.00

Assistance:

Cash	\$7,932.04
Equipment and Supplies	55.77
Transportation	13.00
Sundry Items	23.56
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	\$ 8,024.37
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Total for Aid to Dependent Children	\$ 8,414.37

Soldiers' Benefits**Soldiers' Relief:**

Agent	\$1,560.00
Cash	1,885.00
Fuel	282.21
Groceries and Provisions	214.59

Rent	734.50
Clothing	82.63
Hospital, Medicine and Medical Care	1,262.01
Sundry Items	79.11
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	\$ 6,100.05
Burial of Soldiers or Sailors	200.00
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	\$ 200.00
State Aid	\$ 627.50
Military Aid	640.00
Soldiers' Burial	100.00
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	\$ 1,367.50
Total for Soldiers' Benefits	\$ 7,667.55
Veterans' Service Center	
Clerks	\$ 1,535.00
Telephones	97.94
Postage	22.31
Equipment and Repairs	39.18
Photostat Supplies	224.61
Sundry Items	147.37
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Total for Veterans' Service Center	\$ 2,066.41

Education

General Administration :

Superintendent	\$ 5,165.52
Clerks	2,833.59
Truant Officers	170.00
Printing, Stationery and Postage	80.75
Telephones	411.80

Traveling Expenses	118.80
Sundry Items	30.14
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	\$ 8,810.60
Teachers' Salaries:	
High	\$35,739.46
Elementary	49,733.77
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	\$85,473.23
Text Books and Supplies:	
High	\$3,247.46
Elementary	2,210.95
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	\$ 5,458.41
Transportation:	
High	\$5,832.00
Elementary	6,139.50
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	\$ 11,971.50
Janitor Service:	
High	\$5,269.78
Elementary	8,115.87
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	\$ 13,385.65
Fuel and Light:	
High	\$2,997.98
Elementary	5,120.44
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	\$ 8,118.42
Maintenance of Buildings and Grounds:	
High	\$1,246.13
Elementary	1,467.46
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	\$ 2,713.59

Furniture and Furnishings:

High	\$210.32
	\$ 210.32

Other Expenses:

Band	\$110.00
Physician and Nurse	2,866.00
Diplomas and Graduating Exercises	30.00
Miscellaneous Printing	202.84
Insurance	1,157.63
Sundry Items	1,191.79
	\$ 5,558.26

Commercial:

Salaries	\$6,227.00
Books	407.18
Supplies	122.92
Repairs	28.76
Sundry Items	158.46
	\$ 6,944.32

Music, Manual Training and Drawing:

Salaries	\$4,848.11
Equipment and Supplies	326.28
Books	361.83
Sundry Items	11.50
	\$ 5,547.72

Repairs:

High	\$1,553.89
Elementary	711.84
	\$ 2,265.73

Adult Alien:

Salaries	\$1,201.60
Sundry Items	5.90
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	\$ 1,207.50

Trade School:

Tuition	\$1,909.42
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	\$ 1,909.42

Wennimessett School Repairs:

Superintendent	\$83.75
Labor	300.85
Supplies and Equipment	32.69
Sundry Items	18.65
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	\$ 435.94

Heating System for Three Rivers
Grammar School, per Contract

\$11,773.57

\$ 11,773.57

Total for Education

\$171,784.18

Young Men's Library Association

Per Agreement	\$3,500.00
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	\$ 3,500.00

Cemetery Department**Care and Maintenance:**

Secretary	\$150.00
Auto Hire	150.00
Labor	4,972.25
Colprovia and Cement	983.26
Gravel	81.58

Tools and Equipment	96.29
Trucks	943.13
Gas and Oil	66.78
Sundry Items	56.48
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	\$ 7,499.77

Neglected Graves:	
Care and Maintenance	282.00
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	\$ 282.00
Total for Cemeteries	\$ 7,781.77

Legion Field and Eager Playground

Care and Maintenance:	
Labor	\$1,273.70
Equipment and Supplies	240.84
Lights	32.72
Water	37.88
Gasoline	13.48
Sundry Items	8.25
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Total	\$ 1,606.87

Burleigh Park

Care and Maintenance:	
Labor	\$439.10
Clerical Work	25.00
Gasoline	3.45
Cement, Lumber, etc.	55.83
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Total	\$ 523.38

Civilian Defense

Salary	\$1,560.00
Clerk	116.67
Janitor	300.00

Telephone	134.39
Lights	8.19
Tin Can Collection	28.00
Equipment and Supplies	76.98
Sundry Items	27.90
Total	\$ 2,252.13

Municipal Indebtedness

Wire Mill School Loan	\$2,000.00
Municipal Relief Loan	3,000.00
Total	\$ 5,000.00

Interest

On Maturing Debt:

Wire Mill School Loan	\$160.00
Municipal Relief Loan	112.50
	\$ 272.50

On Trust Funds:

Cemetery Perpetual Care Funds	\$861.73
	\$ 861.73
Total for Interest	\$ 1,134.23

Agency and Trust

Agency:

State Tax	\$9,248.00
County Tax	12,501.69
State Park and Reservations	260.01
State Audit	652.09
Dog Licenses for County	1,280.00

Trust:

Cemetery Perpetual Care Funds	1,625.00
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Total for Agency and Trust	\$ 25,566.79
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Refunds

On Real Estate Taxes	\$61.90
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On Motor Vehicle Excise Taxes	124.26
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Total for Refunds	\$ 186.16
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Unclassified

State Census	\$449.91
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County Aid to Agriculture	50.00
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Edward T. Goodreau Post	156.00
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Engine House	1.00
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Printing Town Reports	666.00
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Memorial Day	250.00
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Memorial Hall Repairs	111.91
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General Insurance	859.37
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Workmen's Compensation Insurance	1,029.70
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Animal Inspection	300.00
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Wing Memorial Hospital	39.45
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Town Engineer	50.00
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Total for Unclassified	\$ 3,963.34
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Withholding Tax Deductions	\$22,559.40
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Total	\$22,559.40
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Blue Cross and Blue Shield	
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Deductions	123.10
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Total	\$ 123.10
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Grand Total	\$444,887.36
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Cash on Hand December 31, 1945	323,996.50
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	\$768,883.86
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Non-Revenue Accounts

Net Funded Debt	\$8,000.00
Wire Mill School Loan	\$2,000.00
Municipal Relief Loan	\$6,000.00
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	\$8,000.00 \$8,000.00
 Trust Funds —	
Cash and Securities	\$46,794.28
Thompson Fund	\$ 951.28
Merrick Fund	850.00
Cemetery Perpetual Care Funds	44,993.00
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	\$46,794.28 \$46,794.28

HARRIETTE PAINÉ

Bookkeeper

BALANCE SHEET FOR 1945

	Appropriations, Grants, Refunds and Transfers	Amounts Expended	Balance
Selectmen's Salary Acct.	\$1,600.00	\$1,600.00	
" General Expenses	600.00	525.03	74.97
" Contingent	5,000.00	1,214.58	3,785.42
Auditing for 1944	90.00	90.00	
Auditing for 1945	90.00		90.00
Accounting	1,980.00	1,980.00	
Assessors' Salary	2,400.00	2,400.00	
" Clerk	1,544.40	1,544.40	
" General Expenses	800.00	792.53	7.47
Town Clerk's Salary	615.00	615.00	
Town Clerk's Expenses	125.00	120.39	4.61
Town Clerk's Binding			
Records	50.00		50.00
Collector's Salary —			
Previous Years	380.00		380.00
1945	1,900.00	1,710.00	190.00
Collector's Clerk	1,040.00	1,040.00	
" Bond and Other			
Expenses	895.00	700.88	194.12
Treasurer's Salary	2,220.00	2,220.00	
" Clerical Hire	400.00	300.00	100.00
" Bond and Other			
Expenses	700.00	677.14	22.86
Tax Title Foreclosure	60.00		60.00
Election and Registration	2,000.00	1,065.30	934.70
Law and Claim	1,500.00	910.00	590.00
License Commissioners	150.00	87.14	62.86
Town Offices	1,966.00	1,965.30	.70
Town House	100.00	83.54	16.46
Town Dump	780.00	780.00	
Chief of Police	3,300.00	3,300.00	

	Appropriations, Grants, Refunds and Transfers	Amounts Expended	Balance
Deputy Chief	2,640.00	2,640.00	
Day Patrol	2,640.00	2,640.00	
Additional Day Patrol	1,234.00		1,234.00
Night Patrol	3,009.60	3,009.60	
Special Patrol	4,000.00	3,144.27	855.73
Chief's Office	336.00	272.04	63.96
Lockup, Care, Rent, Fuel	1,630.00	1,581.27	48.73
Transportation of Chief	700.00	700.00	
Car Hire	150.00	127.00	23.00
Motorcycle Upkeep	200.00	16.65	183.35
Bicycle Registration	25.00	12.00	13.00
Police Other Expenses	350.00	314.67	35.33
Forest Fires	2,000.00	1,321.67	678.33
Forest Fire Hose	763.21	763.21	
New Fire Truck	4,500.00	4,500.00	
Moth Department	1,000.00	963.80	36.20
Tree Department	800.00	794.15	5.85
Sealer's Salary	690.00	690.00	
" Other Expenses	160.00	150.10	9.90
Salaries of Board of Health	300.00	300.00	
Salaries Board of Health Clerk	220.00	220.00	
Tuberculosis and Dangerous Diseases	3,521.00	2,596.59	924.41
Meat and Milk Inspection	550.00	536.90	13.10
Toxin-Antitoxin	100.00	100.00	
Vital Statistics	500.00	360.50	139.50
District Nurse	1,000.00	1,000.00	
Highway Repairs	17,000.00	16,991.93	8.07
Snow Removal	5,981.97	5,981.97	
Snow Grader	6,500.00		6,500.00
Oiling Roads	6,000.00	5,999.87	.13

	Appropriations, Grants, Refunds and Transfers	Amounts Expended	Balance
Chap. 90 Roads —			
Maint.	3,000.00	2,999.83	.17
Dublin Street	184.15	184.05	.10
Fox Street	196.47	196.21	.26
Sewers and Culverts	2,300.00	2,299.77	.23
Shearer Street Sewer	357.25	356.59	.66
Chestnut Street Sewer	300.00	299.70	.30
Hill and Church			
Streets Sewer	1,300.00	1,299.07	.93
Walk Repairs	1,200.00	1,199.91	.09
Street Lighting	11,668.00	11,649.69	18.31
Public Wel. Dept.			
Support of Poor	13,140.00	11,512.32	1,627.68
Town Physician	500.00	500.00	
Salary of Jr. Clerk	550.00	550.00	
Salary of Agent	1,210.00	1,210.00	
Salary of Board	600.00	600.00	
Old Age Assistance			
Salary of Secretary	650.00	650.00	
Salary of Board	200.00	200.00	
Old Age Assistance	39,251.88	39,245.96	5.92
Federal Grant for			
Administration	738.90	726.66	12.24
Aid	22,168.52	20,352.31	1,816.21
Aid to Dependent Children			
Salary of Secretary	330.00	302.50	27.50
Administration Expenses	50.00		50.00
Aid	5,350.00	5,310.32	39.68
Federal Grant for Adm.	363.31	179.83	183.48
Federal Grant for Aid	2,806.76	2,621.72	185.04
Soldiers' Relief	8,000.00	5,952.55	2,047.45
State Aid	1,200.00	875.00	325.00
Military Aid	1,200.00	640.00	560.00

	Appropriations, Grants, Refunds and Transfers	Amounts Expended	Balance
Veteran's Service Center—			
Salary of Clerks	1,575.00	1,535.00	40.00
Telephones	100.00	97.94	2.06
Printing	75.00	19.93	55.07
Postage	25.00	22.31	2.69
Photostat Supplies	325.00	260.09	64.91
Miscellaneous	200.00	131.14	68.86
Burial of Soldiers and Sailors	300.00	200.00	100.00
Education			
Support of Schools	163,276.24	156,197.63	7,078.61
New Steam Boiler	14,650.00	11,773.57	2,876.43
Wenimesset School Repairs	500.00	435.94	64.06
Adult Alien and Trade School Tuition	3,300.00	3,116.92	183.08
Smith-Hughes Fund	304.53		304.53
Y. M. Library Assn.	3,500.00	3,500.00	
Animal Inspection	300.00	300.00	
Burleigh Park	600.00	523.38	76.62
Civilian Defense	3,000.00	2,252.13	747.87
County Aid to Agriculture	50.00	50.00	
Rent for Lease of Town Dump	.50.00		50.00
Engine House Property	1.00	1.00	
Edw. T. Goodreau Post	166.00	156.00	10.00
General Insurance	900.00	859.37	40.63
Workmen's Compensation Insurance	1,263.55	1,029.70	233.85
Legion Field and Eager Playground	1,607.00	1,606.87	.13
Memorial Day	250.00	250.00	
Memorial Approach and Knox Marker	620.00	619.95	.05

	Appropriations, Grants, Refunds and Transfers	Amounts Expended	Balance
Planning Board	100.00	13.65	86.35
Memorial Hall Building			
Repairs	1,500.00	111.91	1,388.09
State Census	500.00	449.91	50.09
Town Engineers	50.00	50.00	
Town Reports	666.00	666.00	
Wing Memorial Hospital	500.00	39.45	460.55
W.P.A.	50.00		50.00
Reserve Fund	14,000.00	9,218.18	4,781.82
Care of Cemeteries	7,500.00	7,499.77	.23
Care of Neglected			
Graves	300.00	282.00	18.00
Tool House —			
Oak Knoll	1,000.00		1,000.00
Maturing Debt	5,000.00	5,000.00	
Interest for Maturing			
Debt	272.50	272.50	
Interest for Temporary			
Loan	1.00		1.00

Trial Balance

	Dr.	Cr.
Cash	\$323,966.50	
Taxes, 1944	549.44	
Taxes, 1945	16,932.41	
Motor Vehicle Excise Tax, 1944	31.88	
Motor Vehicle Excise Tax, 1945	337.38	
Tax Titles	42,782.92	
Tax Possessions	3,088.23	
Overlay, 1943 and Prior Years	5,245.96	
Overlay, 1944		549.44
Overlay, 1945		7,119.74
Overlay Reserve		16,553.99
Accounts Receivable:		
Highways	284.50	
Public Welfare	627.84	
Schools	398.50	
Old Age Assistance	437.52	
Aid to Dependent Children	804.41	
Special Assessment, Sidewalk and		
Curbing	97.74	
County Tax	247.45	
State Parks and Reservations		86.10
Dog Licenses, Town Clerk		18.60
Sale of Land Account		2,950.00
Sale of Forest Lake Schoolhouse		800.00
Blue Cross and Blue Shield		
Deductions	123.10	
Withholding Tax Deductions		2,552.45
Departmental Revenue		2,552.77
Motor Vehicle Excise Tax Revenue		369.26

Tax Title Revenue	45,349.49
District Tax Title Revenue	521.66
Sidewalk and Curbing Assessment	
Revenue	97.74
Excess and Deficiency	301,191.32
Auditing and Accounting	90.00
Town Clerk's Binding Records	50.00
Tax Collector's Salary, Previous Years	380.00
Tax Collector's Salary, 1945	190.00
Snow Loader	6,500.00
Old Age Assistance:	
Federal Grant for Administration	12.24
Federal Grant for Aid	1,816.21
Aid to Dependent Children:	
Federal Grant for Administration	183.48
Federal Grant for Aid	185.04
Education, Smith-Hughes Fund	304.53
Education, New Steam Boiler	
at Three Rivers School	2,876.43
Public Dump, Rent or Lease	50.00
Repairs at Memorial Hall Building	1,388.09
Oak Knoll Cemetery — Tool House	1,000.00
Interest on Temporary Loan	1.00
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	\$395,862.68
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	\$395,862.68

Report of The Board of Public Welfare

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen
and Citizens of Palmer:

The annual report of the Board of Public Welfare for the year 1945 is hereby respectfully submitted:

Aided in this town Account of:	No. of Cases	No. of Persons	Amount
Town Infirmary	14	14	\$4,339.52
In Homes, Private families and Institutions	23	45	4,712.84
For Other Cities and Towns	3	14	245.38
For State	4	15	960.87
By Other Cities and Towns	8	19	1,047.67

RECEIPTS

Appropriations:

Support of Poor and General Administration	\$13,140.00
Salary of Board	600.00
Salary of Agent	1,210.00
Salary of Town Physician	500.00
Salary of Jr. Clerk	550.00
 Total Appropriation	 \$16,000.00
Town Infirmary Receipts	646.00
	646.00

Reimbursements:

From Cities and Towns	2,553.71
From State	1,917.55
From Individuals	105.25
Total Reimbursements	4,576.51
Total Receipts	\$21,222.51
Abatements	\$81.86

PAYMENTS

Administration:

Salary of Board	600.00
Salary of Town Physician	500.00
Salary of Agent	1,210.00
Salary of Jr. Clerk	550.00
	2,860.00

Administrative Expenses:

Transportation and Travel	80.50
Postage and Telegrams	32.39
Supplies	1.31
Telephones	91.84
	206.04

Town Infirmary Expenses:

Boiler Inspection	5.00
Clothing	76.35
Commodities and Transportation	48.50
Fuel	365.39
Grain	319.00
Ice	74.73
Labor	6.00

Light	133.48
Livestock	3.50
Mattresses	45.00
Medical	21.00
Medicine	34.98
Papers	14.37
Plumbing and Repairs	55.61
Provisions	1,338.64
Seed and Fertilizer	42.00
Supplies	101.06
Telephone	43.24
Tobacco	82.67
Veterinary Services	29.00
Salary, Warden and Matron	1,500.00
	4,339.52

Outside Poor — (Palmer Settled
Cases Aided Direct) :

Board, Private Families	720.44
Board, Private Institutions	948.15
Burials	100.00
Cash	182.00
Clothing	74.93
Dental	85.00
Examination & Glasses	11.00
Fuel	187.46
Grave	12.00
Hospitals	994.51
Medical	12.10
Medicine	40.40
Provisions	1,136.26
Rent	177.63
Shoe Repair	1.35
Transportation	11.00

Trucking	3.61
X-Rays	15.00
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	4,712.84

State Cases — (Cases Without Settlement) :

Cash	780.00
Hospital	28.00
Medicine	18.47
Provisions	134.40
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	960.87

For Other Cities and Towns — (Cases Settled
in Other Cities and Towns — Aided in
Palmer) :

Ambulance	5.00
Clothing	18.43
Hospital	5.00
Medical	11.00
Provisions	205.95
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	245.38

By Other Cities and Towns — (Palmer
Settled Cases Aided in Other Cities
and Towns) :

Board, Private Institutions	509.92
Cash	90.00
Hospitals	446.75
Medical	5.00
X-Ray	3.00
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	1,047.67

Total Expenses:	\$14,372.32
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NET COST OF CHARITIES

Total Expenses	\$14,372.32
Less Receipts of Town Infirmary	3,509.81
Less Outstanding Bills	503.53
Less Outstanding Board	209.50
Less Reimbursements	1,607.45
Less Reimbursements from Individuals	105.25
	—
	5,935.54
	—
	8,436.78
Plus Outstanding Bills for previous years	9.80
	—
	9.80
Net Cost	\$8,446.58
Overlay from Support of Poor and Gen. Administration	\$1,627.68

REPORT OF WARDEN
TO THE BOARD OF PUBLIC WELFARE

RECEIPTS

Sale of Hay	35.00
Sale of Lumber	200.00
Board	3,274.81
	—
Total Receipts	\$3,509.81

Disbursements:

Paid Treasurer	646.00
Balance Paid Town Treasurer	
(Direct)	2,863.81
Total Disbursements	\$3,509.81

BILLS RECEIVABLE

Board	209.50
	209.50

INVENTORY

Furniture	\$500.00
Food and Supplies	250.00
Livestock	250.00
Hay and Grain	75.00
Wood, Coal and Lumber	50.00
Farm Implements	400.00
Total Inventory	1,525.00

Number of Inmates Registered during the year — 14

Largest number at one time — 11

Number of Inmates, December 31, 1945 — 10

Respectfully submitted,

MAURICE F. LAWLOR, Warden

NORA D. LAWLOR, Matron

NET COST OF TOWN INFIRMARY

Total Expenses	\$4,339.52
Less Receipts	3,509.81
Less Outstanding Board	209.50
	—————
	3,719.31
Net Cost	—————
	\$ 620.21

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN K. McKENZIE, Chairman

GEORGE E. CALLAHAN

OSCAR LAVIOLETTE

Board of Public Welfare

BY: — WILLIAM C. DALY, Agent

Report of The Board of Public Welfare for Aid to Dependent Children

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen
and Citizens of Palmer:

The annual report of the Board of Pulbic Welfare for Aid to Dependent Children for the year 1945 is hereby respectfully submitted:

No. of Cases	No. of Persons
15	41

RECEIPTS

Town Appropriation —Aid	\$5,350.00
Town Appropriation —	
Salary of Agent	330.00
Town Appropriation —	
Administrative Expenses	50.00
Balance on hand, Federal Grant for	
Aid, January 1, 1945	235.39
Balance on hand, Federal Grant for Ad-	
ministration, January 1, 1945	151.40
Received — Federal Grants for Aid	2,571.37
Received — Federal Grants for	
Administration	211.91
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Total Receipts	\$8,900.07

EXPENDITURES

Cash, from Federal Grant for Aid	\$2,621.72
Cash, from Town Appropriation for Aid	5,310.32

Total Cash Expenditures for Aid	7,932.04
Salary of Agent from Town Appropriation	302.50
From Federal Grant for Administration	179.83

Total Expenses	\$8,414.37
Plus Receipts for 1944	1,682.72

	1,682.72

	\$10,097.09
Less Outstanding Bills	1,617.64
Less Reimbursements	2,615.56
Less Federal Grants	3,170.07

	7,403.27

Net Cost	\$2,693.82
Balance from Federal Grant for Aid	185.04
Balance from Federal Grant for Administration	183.48
Balance from Town Appropriation, Salary of Agent	27.50

Balance from Town Appropriation,	
Administrative Expenses	50.00
Balance from Town Appropriation	
for Aid	39.68
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Total Balance	\$ 485.70

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN K. MCKENZIE, Chairman

GEORGE E. CALLAHAN

OSCAR LAVIOLETTE

Board of Public Welfare

BY:— WILLIAM C. DALY, Agent

Report of the Bureau of Old Age Assistance

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen
and Citizens of Palmer:

The Annual Report of the Bureau of Old Age Assistance for the year 1945 is hereby respectfully submitted:

Number of active cases January 1, 1945	114
Applications received during the year	36
Applications approved during the year	27
Applications rejected during the year	9
Cases closed during the year (8 by death)	17
Number of active cases December 31, 1945	124
Palmer settled cases in other towns	13

RECEIPTS

Town Appropriation	\$32,000.00
Transfer — Town Appropriation	7,000.00
Refund, Town Appropriation	251.88
U. S. Grants for Old Age Assistance Only:	
Received during the year	22,168.52
U. S. Grants for Old Age Administration Only:	
Received during the year	738.90

62,159.30

Reimbursements:

Cities and Towns	1,501.19
State	30,095.24
Meal Tax from State	1,593.19

	33,189.62
Total Receipts	\$95,348.92

PAYMENTS

Town Cases:

Cash	\$38,781.62
Medicine	64.09
Medical	288.70
Ambulance	20.00
Hospital	216.45
Board and Home Care	67.05
Burial	100.00

	39,537.91

For Other Towns:

Cash	6,223.20
Medicine	4.73
Medical	13.00
Burials	150.00

	6,390.93

For State:

Cash	12,005.32
Medicine	3.29
Medical	139.00
Nursing Home Care	108.18

Burials	200.00
Hospital	307.22
Room Rent	20.50
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	12,783.51

By Other Towns:

Cash	654.64
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	654.64
Total expenses for aid	\$59,366.99

ADMINISTRATION

Salaries:

Bureau of Old Age Assistance	200.00
Agent	650.00
Junior Clerk	460.00
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	1,310.00

Other Expenses:

Transportation and Travel	127.70
Postage	44.00
Telephones	14.22
Outside Member of Bureau	100.00
Social Service Index	20.50
Equipment and Supplies	191.52
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	497.94

Total Expenditures	\$61,174.93
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NET COST OF OLD AGE ASSISTANCE

Total Expenses	\$61,174.93
Less Reimbursements from State and	
Other Cities and Towns	31,596.43
Less Refunds	251.88
Less U. S. Grants	22,907.42
Less Outstanding Bills — Other	
Cities and Towns	383.52
	—————
	55,139.25
	—————
	6,035.68
Plus Outstanding Bills for	
previous years	24.75
	—————
	24.75
Net Cost	\$6,060.43
Balance from Federal Grant	
for Aid	\$1,816.21
Balance from Federal Grant	
for Administration	12.24
Balance from Town Appropriation	
for Aid and General Expenses	5.92
	—————
Total Balance	1,834.37

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE E. CALLAHAN, Chairman

JOHN K. MCKENZIE

CHARLES H. GIROUX, M. D.

Bureau of Old Age Assistance

BY:—WILLIAM C. DALY, Agent

Report of The Board of Health

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and
Citizens of Palmer:

The Board of Health of the Town of Palmer hereby submits its annual report for the year ending December 31, 1945:

TABLE No. 1

Disease	No. of Cases
Anterior Poliomyelitis	3
Chicken Pox	38
Dog Bite	4
German Measles	3
Pulmonary Tuberculosis	4
Measles	6
Spinal Meningitis	2
Mumps	85
Scarlet Fever	15
Ringworm	1
Undulant Fever	1
Whooping Cough	15

TABLE No. 2

Number of Deaths reported during 1945:

January	10
February	5
March	8
April	7

May	6
June	8
July	5
August	11
September	6
October	13
November	10
December	9
	—
	98

TABLE No. 3
Deaths Classified by Ages

	Total	Male	Female
Less than 1 year	4	3	1
1 - 5 years	2	2	0
5 - 10 "	0	0	0
10 - 15 "	0	0	0
15 - 20 "	0	0	0
20 - 30 "	2	2	0
30 - 40 "	3	1	2
40 - 50 "	4	2	2
50 - 60 "	14	8	6
60 - 70 "	25	10	15
70 - 80 "	27	13	14
80 - 90 "	12	7	5
90-100 "	3	2	1
Stillborn	2	0	2
	—	—	—
	98	50	48

RECEIPTS

Town Appropriations:

Tuberculosis, Contagious Diseases and Other Expenses	\$3,500.00
Vital Statistics	500.00
Meat and Milk Inspection	550.00
Toxin-Antitoxin	100.00
Salary of Board	300.00
Salary of Clerk	220.00
 Total Town Appropriation	 \$5,170.00

From Licenses:

Ice Cream and Frozen Desserts	65.00
Pasteurization	50.00
Milk	27.00
Oleomargarine	7.50
Bottling	40.00
Undertakers	6.00
Poultry Dressing	1.00
Alcohol Licenses	6.00
Camp Licenses	2.00
Slaughtering	1.00
 Total Receipts from Licenses	 205.50

Other Receipts:

Refund, Town Appropriation	21.00
From State Subsidy	50.71
	71.71
Total Receipts	\$5,447.21

PAYMENTS

**From Tuberculosis, Contagious Diseases
and Other Expenses:**

Westfield State Sanatorium	\$1,237.50
Rutland State Sanatorium	546.00
Tewksbury State Hospital	214.50
Hospitals	80.89
Rutland Training Center	243.63
Medical	81.00
Printing and Typing	25.00
Posting and Removing Contagious Disease Cards	23.20
Express	1.93
Transportation and Traveling	23.25
Stationery and Postage	33.56
Supplies	2.16
Lime	3.25
Telephones	80.72
	2,596.59

Vital Statistics:

Births	213.00
Marriages	69.00
Deaths	78.50
	360.50

Toxin-Antitoxin 100.00

100.00

Meat and Milk Inspection:

Meat Inspection	75.75
Trans. on Meat Inspection	44.25

Milk Inspection	370.00
Trans. on Milk Inspection	46.90
	536.90
Salary of Board	300.00
	300.00
Salary of Agent and Clerk	220.00
	220.00
Total Payments	\$4,113.99

NET COST

Total Expenses	\$4,113.99
Less Receipts	277.21
	277.21
Net Cost	\$3,836.78
Overlay from Tuberculosis, Contagious Diseases and General Expenses	924.41
Overlay from Meat and Milk Inspection	13.10
Overlay from Vital Statistics	139.50
Total Town Appropriation Overlay	\$1,077.01

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. JANE H. COULTER, Chairman

WILLIAM J. BERNAT

ALFRED R. KELLEY

Board of Health

Report of Milk Inspector

Palmer, Mass., December 31, 1945

To the Board of Health of Palmer:

I respectfully submit the following report on the Milk Inspection work for the year 1945.

I have granted the following Permits and Licenses:
 Dealer's License 55 @ \$.50 \$27.00
 Oleomargarine License 15 @ .50 7.50
 Producers Permits (No fee) 46

Respectfully submitted,

ARTHUR A. RONDEAU
Milk Inspector

Report of Inspector of Slaughtering

Palmer, Mass., December 31, 1945

To the Board of Health of Palmer:

I respectfully submit the following report relating to the Inspection of Slaughtering for the year 1945:

I have made the following inspections:

33	Hogs
14	Veal
54	Beef

101 Inspections

Respectfully submitted,

ARTHUR A. RONDEAU

Inspector of Slaughtering

Report of Sealer of Weights and Measures

December 17th, 1945

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

Town of Palmer, Palmer, Mass.

Presents his annual report. This department has adjusted, sealed, not sealed, and condemned the following scales:

SCALES	Not Con-		
	Adj't	Sealed	Sealed demned
Platform, 10,000 lbs. or over	8	10	
Platform, 5,001-10,000 lbs.	4	6	
Platform, 100-5,000 lbs.	39	64	1
Counter, 100 lbs. or over		7	
Counter, under 100 lbs.	7	55	
Beam, under 100 lbs.	1	2	
Beam, 100 lbs. or over	6	8	1
Spring, 100 lbs. or over	3	12	1
Spring, under 100 lbs.	21	48	1
Computing, under 100 lbs.	7	41	1
Personal weighing scale		18	2
Prescription scales		4	
Total	96	275	3
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W E I G H T S

	Adj't	Sealed	Not Sealed	Condemned
Avoirdupois	15	451		
Apothecary		73		
Metric		30		
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Total	15	554		

CAPACITY MEASURES

	Adj't	Sealed	Not Sealed	Condemned
Liquid, 1 gal. or less		47		
Liquid, 1 gal. or more		25		
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Total		72		

AUTOMATIC MEASURING DEVICES

	Adj't	Sealed	Not Sealed	Condemned
Meters, g.m.s., 1 in. inlet	10	79		10
Meters, over 1 in. T.T.M.S.	10	10		
Meters, over 1 in. B.M.S.	10	10		
Oil Measuring Pumps		3	2	
Kerosene Pumps		13		2
Grease Measuring Devices		19	2	1
Quantity Measuring on Pumps		40		
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Total	30	174	4	13

MISCELLANEOUS

	Adj't	Sealed	Not Sealed	Condemned
Yard Sticks		19		
Cloth Meas. Device		2		
Measuring Tape		1		
 Total		 23		

TRIAL WEIGHING AND MEASUREMENTS OF
COMMODITIES SOLD, OR PUT UP FOR SALE

	Tested	Correct	Under	Over
Bread	736	470	59	207
Butter	377	355	20	2
Coal in Paper Bags	23	20		3
Confectionery	42	42		
Dry Commodities	1026	899	103	24
Flour	183	183		
Fruits and Vegetables	125	55	68	2
Grain and Feeds	86	79	1	6
Hay	21	21		
Ice	13	8	3	2
Lard	388	388		
Potatoes	373	204	59	110
Meats and Provisions	49	41	8	
Cord Wood	6	4		2
Coal in Transits	12	10	1	1
 Total	 3460	 2779	 322	 359

INSPECTIONS

Chemical Thermometers	56
Coal Certificates	12
Ice Scales	9

Junk Scales	6
Peddlers' License	10
Peddlers' Scales	8
Retest G. M. S. Meters	35
Retest Scales	42
Marking of Bread	736
Marking of Food Packages	1026
Milk Cans	285
Milk Bottles	470
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Total	2695
 Sealing Fees Collected	\$190.00
Paid to Town Treasurer	\$190.00
Appropriation	\$850.00
Salary	690.00
Expenditures	150.10
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Balance	\$9.90

The foregoing comprises my annual report ending December 31st, 1945

Respectfully yours,

ALBERT A. BOISSY

2 Ruggles Court,

Three Rivers, Mass.

Sealer of Weights and Measures

for

The Town of Palmer, Mass.

Report of Inspector of Animals

Palmer, Mass.

December 31, 1945

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

Town of Palmer

All inspections ordered by the Division of Livestock Disease Control have been completed, and the requirements of Section 19, Chapter 129 of the General Laws of Massachusetts have been complied with. The necessary reports have been filed with the above mentioned department at 100 Nashua Street, Boston.

There were 72 visits made to examine and quarantine dogs known to have bitten persons and were suspected of having rabies. None of these dogs showed symptoms of the disease. One dog's head was shipped to the laboratories in Boston, there were no symptoms of rabies found.

There were 8 herds of cattle identified and released. These cattle had to be identified as to ear tag numbers and properly released before they could be added to any herd.

There were two investigations made as to cattle being entered into the town from other states by certificate. These animals were identified and released as ordered by the Division.

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE S. GAY

Civilian Defense and Rationing Board

Appropriation	\$3,000.00
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Expenditures Civilian Defense

Telephone	\$ 25.50
Light	8.19
Collecting Tin Cans	28.00
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	\$ 61.69

Expenditures O. P. A.

Salaries and Labor	\$1672.67
Telephone	108.89
Janitor	300.00
Equipment and Supplies	78.58
Travel Expense	30.30
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	\$2190.44

Total Expenditures	\$2252.13
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Balance	\$ 747.87

Respectfully submitted,

HENRY W. HOLBROOK

VETERAN'S SERVICE CENTER

January 1, 1946

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen
Town of Palmer, Massachusetts

Gentlemen:

I herewith submit my annual report of activities and expenses incurred for the Veterans' Service Center during the year 1945.

Total number of persons on record as serving in the Armed Forces, 1513; discharged 661; deceased 41.

Photostatic copies made, 1055. This includes copies of discharges, veterans' papers, personal papers used in filing claims of veterans and their dependents and also 35 copies made for the local OPA office and 276 copies made for the Palmer Fire District #1 for which work the Town was reimbursed.

Total number of calls made at the Center, 2182.

Assistance has been given in filing the following applications:

State Bonus	745
School (both Public Law 16 & 346)	60
Hospitalization	16
Pensions (Spanish War, W. W. I, & W. W. II)	42
Gratuity & Insurance Claims	24

Service at the Center also includes assistance in converting insurance, writing letters upon request for various veteran claims, referrals for job purposes, civil service, unemployment compensation and many other problems confronting the returning veteran or his dependents.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Amount appropriated for 1945	\$1,800.00
Additional amount transferred	
from Reserve Fund for unexpected expenses	500.00
Expenses; salary, supplies, etc.	\$2,300.00
	2,065.41
Balance	<hr/> \$234.59

Respectfully submitted,

WALTER CONNOR, Director
Veterans' Service Center

Report of Tree Warden

Amount appropriated	\$800.00
Balance	5.85

In 1945 the Tree Warden's Department took down 12 dead or dangerous trees. The department planted 9 trees to replace trees that were removed in 1944. The department trimmed dead wood from the trees on North Main Street, Park Street, and Thorndike Street in Palmer; Main Street in Bondsville; Main Street and the Common in Three Rivers; Main Street in Thorndike.

Besides this we had a great many calls for broken limbs, limbs on roofs and over chimneys and the raising of low branches on streets. The tent caterpillar in the spring and the fall web worm were extremely bad this year in all areas of the state. It caused the department to take down a number of cherry trees and old apple trees to eliminate the possibility of repeating next year. The trees in Palmer are in quite good condition and with regular care will not necessitate any added appropriation for this department.

W. H. CAMBO, Warden

Report of Moth Department

Amount appropriated	\$1,000.00
Balance	36.20

The Moth Department during the winter months scouted the insect egg clusters in the various sections of the town where it was noticed the year before that an infestation was in progress.

The department sprayed the elm trees in the four villages and a number of oaks that were badly infected. The department took down a number of wild cherry trees and birches that were infected. The town, in comparison with other towns I have seen, is in very good condition as regards to insect damage.

W. H. CAMBO

Moth Superintendent

Auditors' Report

TOWN'S INFIRMARY

Receipts

Total Receipts, 1945	\$646.00
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Expenditures

Paid Town Treasurer	\$646.00
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SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

Receipts

Fees Collected	\$190.00
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Expenditures

Paid Town Treasurer	\$190.00
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TOWN CLERK

Dog Licenses

Receipts

Fees Collected:	367 @ \$2.00	\$734.00
	58 @ 5.00	290.00
	149 @ 2.00	298.00
	1 @ 10.00	10.00
	1 @ 50.00	50.00

	\$1,382.00
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Expenditures

Paid Town Treasurer	\$1,266.80
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Paid John T. Brown, 576 @ 20¢	115.20
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	\$1,382.00
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TAX COLLECTOR**Account of 1943**

Outstanding January 1, 1945	\$1,311.42
Interest and Demands	84.96
	—————
	\$1,396.38
Paid Treasurer	1,297.75
Abatements	63.63
Added to Tax Titles	35.00
	—————
	1,396.38
	—————

Account of 1944

Outstanding January 1, 1945	14,231.27
Additional Assessors' warrant to be collected	10.00
Interest and Demands	273.60
Real Estate Tax Abated After Payment	17.50
	—————
	14,532.37
Paid Treasurer	13,671.56
Abatements	244.49
Added to Tax Titles	35.00
	—————
	13,951.05
Outstanding December 31, 1945	581.32

Account of 1945

Assessors' Warrants to be Collected	281,630.57
Interest and Demands	143.54

Motor Vehicle Excise Taxes	
Abated After Payment	123.66
Real Estate Tax	
Abated After Payment	44.40

	281,942.17
Paid Treasurer	260,828.01
Abatements	3,718.57
Added to Tax Titles	125.80

	264,672.38
Outstanding December 31, 1945	17,269.79
 Fox Street Sidewalk — 1943	
Outstanding January 1, 1945	133.38
Interest	4.00

	137.38
Paid Treasurer	39.64

Outstanding December 31, 1945	97.74

TREASURER'S ACCOUNTS

RECEIPTS

Balance on hand January 1, 1945,	\$255,651.41
John T. Brown, Tax Collector:	
Taxes, 1943	\$1,212.79
Interest and Demands, 1943	84.96
Sidewalk Assessment, 1943	35.64
Interest on Sidewalk	
Assessment, 1943	4.00
Taxes, 1944	13,397.96
Interest and Demands, 1944	273.60
Taxes, 1945	260,684.47
Interest and Demands, 1945	143.54

Withholding Tax Deductions	22,880.10
Sale of Tax Possessions,	1,425.00
Commonwealth of Massachusetts:	
Taxes, Reimbursements, etc.	186,035.04
Chapter 90, Contract No. 9449	999.94
County of Hampden:	
Dog Refund,	1,136.30
Chapter 90, Contract No. 9449	999.94
All Other Sources	23,919.17
	513,232.45
	\$768,883.86

DISBURSEMENTS

Paid out on Selectmen's Warrants	\$444,887.36
Balance on hand December 31, 1945	323,996.50
	\$768,883.86

CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS' ACCOUNTS

Receipts

Appropriation	\$7,500.00
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Expenditures

Expenditures as per books	\$7,499.77
Balance, December 31, 1945	.23
	\$7,500.00

Care of Cemeteries

Receipts

From Perpetual Care Funds	\$861.73
For Soldiers' Graves	191.00
All Other Sources	2,092.14
	\$3,144.87

Expenditures

Paid Town Treasurer	\$3,144.87
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Perpetual Care Funds**Receipts**

Balance, December 31, 1944	\$43,366.96
New Funds received during	
the year	1,525.00
Interest for 1945	861.73
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	\$45,753.69

Expenditures

Care of Lots	\$ 861.73
Balance, December 31, 1945	44,891.96
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	\$45,753.69

Respectfully submitted,

ALLEN F. DAVIS

GARTON J. QUIMBY

CLARENCE A. CARRINGTON

Auditors

Report of Young Men's Library Association

Circulation for the Year of 1945

Main Library, Palmer	25,450
Three Rivers Branch	8,056
Thorndike Branch	4,315
Bondsville Branch	8,605
	46,426

Reading Room Attendance	3,252
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Classification and other data follows:

Reference Books	747
Adult Fiction	7,371
Adult Non Fiction	4,839
Juvenile Fiction	1,752
Juvenile Non Fiction	851
	15,560

Volumes Repaired in 1945

Books sewed and rebound	197
Books minor repairs	1,022
	1,219

In addition to the Books purchased we also have for the use of our borrowers a large number of magazines which we annually subscribe for, as well as daily

newspapers, in the public reading room, accessible to all who make use of this facility.

The ceilings and walls of all the rooms occupied by the Library have received fresh coats of paint which add greatly to their appearance, although in the stack room with its new coat of white, the wooden stacks, which through long years of service have become warped and discolored, not only detract greatly from the general appearance of this room and the books it contains, but have outlived their usefulness and should be replaced by steel stacks. This we hope to do when such stacks are available, the war having curtailed their production as it has many other articles manufactured from steel.

We are informed that of more than 1500 of our citizens who have been mustered into the armed forces of the United States 660 had been discharged from this service to January 1st of this year. With their return and the others who will be discharged, the use of our reading rooms and the need for books will increase and should be cared for.

In past years, some of our citizens, mindful of the needs of their town, have in their wills made provision for Trust Funds, the income only to be spent for Library purposes, and it is the hope of our trustees that others now living may make such provision. These funds, each known by the name of the donor are protected by the laws of this Commonwealth and will be administered in accordance with the provisions of each Trust; and we would particularly call it to the attention of our citizens that such trusts may well be established during the lifetime of the donor, that living he may have the satisfaction of knowing that he is contributing to the needs, the knowledge culture, pleasure and well being of his fellow citizens.

Among our books are many that will supply information covering a great number of trades and occupations in which our citizens may now or, may hope to be engaged and from which they expect to obtain their livelihood; also biographies, books of travel and histories of the different countries of our world, a total of nearly 6,500 books of these kinds, and in addition, about 9000 books of fiction, by past and present authors.

It is our sincere hope, with the help of our citizens, that the library will be enabled to serve in full measure the needs of our Town and that it shall be a source of usefulness, pride and pleasure to us all.

CHARLES L. WAID, Librarian

YOUNG MEN'S LIBRARY ASSOCIATION

Treasurer's Report

For the Year Ending December 31, 1945

Receipts

Balance, Jan. 1, 1945	\$4.16
Town of Palmer, Appropriation	3,500.00
Interest on Invested Funds	1,516.76
Fines and miscellaneous	289.70
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	\$5,310.62

Disbursements

Salaries and Services	\$3,406.92
Books and Magazines	1,236.75
Light, Heat and Telephone	372.86
Supplies and Repairs	80.60
Insurance premiums and miscellaneous	78.73
Balance, Dec. 31, 1945	134.76
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	\$5,310.62

Respectfully submitted,

ALLEN F. DAVIS

Treasurer

The accounts of the Treasurer have been audited and approved by me this 15th day of January, 1946.

FREEMAN A. SMITH

Auditor

Report of Park Commissioners

To the Board of Selectmen and Citizens of Palmer:

The Park Commissioners herewith submit their annual report for the year ending December 31, 1945:

This year has seen a definite increase in the use and enjoyment of Legion Field and Eager Playground by people of all ages and from all parts of the town, with indications that the number will be substantially increased next year. Of the fifteen hundred young men and women of this community who have been serving in the armed forces, nearly seven hundred have returned, and those who until V-J day were working extra hours in our local factories will have much more time for rest and recreation in the year to come. Nearly every day of good weather has seen some sports activity in progress, and throughout the summer season townspeople have come to the fields to watch the various games, to see the children enjoying themselves on the playground, and to rest.

At Eager Playground considerable new equipment has been installed. Some of it was obtained through the school department and some was purchased, and the swings, teeters and slides have been kept in constant use by the smaller children.

Thanks to the conscientious efforts of our caretaker, Carmine Russo, both fields have been kept in excellent condition and the commissioners feel that the policy of keeping a competent man on the job from early Spring until late Autumn has produced results distinctly worth while.

The skating rink was again ready for use in time for the Christmas holidays and is being maintained throughout the cold weather, and has shown a still larger attendance than in former years.

For the first time in several years money was made available for the rehabilitation of Burleigh Park and, within the limits of the appropriation, considerable work has been done to make the natural advantages of the area available to the people of the town. Much of the undergrowth and brush have been cleared away, picnic tables have been installed, and a wading pool built during the summer has proved very popular. In response to repeated requests and in accordance with earlier plans, a larger pool has been excavated this fall. With the construction of a larger dam next Spring, the pool will provide clean and safe swimming facilities for children of all school ages, as well as a safe wading area for the little ones. The commissioners hope to be able to employ a caretaker at Burleigh Park throughout the coming summer, not only to maintain and improve the facilities there, but to make the area of more service and enjoyment to the people of the town.

The co-operation of the public has been excellent at all the parks under the jurisdiction of the commissioners. We feel that the people appreciate and enjoy the rest and recreational facilities which Palmer has, and which we hope to improve and to expand.

LEGION FIELD AND EAGER PLAYGROUND

Appropriation	\$1,600.00
Transfer	7.00
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	\$1,607.00

Expenditures

Labor	\$1,266.20
Lights	41.85
Water Rent	28.75
Lumber	8.09
Gasoline	13.48
Power Mower Repairs	87.20
Paint	5.40
Tennis Court Tapes	44.85
Softball Bases	7.50
Lime	14.00
New Playground Slide	48.00
Repairs to Slides	14.50
Sand & Roller for Skating Rink	9.00
Snow Shovels	3.00
Miscellaneous Equipment & Supplies	15.05
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	\$1,606.87
Balance	.13

BURLEIGH PARK

Appropriation	\$600.00
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Expenditures

Labor	\$454.10
Cement	9.60

Lumber	36.61
Gasoline	3.45
Paint	8.60
Picnic Tables	10.00
Miscellaneous	1.02
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	\$523.38
Balance	\$76.62

Legion Field Receipts:

Baseball Field Rentals \$40.00

ALLEN F. DAVIS
JAMES J. KANE
WILLIAM A. SULLIVAN
LADISLAS LAVIOLETTE
Park Commissioners

Report of Forest Fire Warden

December 31, 1945

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen
Town of Palmer, Massachusetts

Gentlemen:

I submit my report for the fiscal year ending December 31, 1945, and recommendations as follows:

During the year there were twenty-eight forest, brush or grass fires. Of this number four were caused by trains of our various railroads and repayment to the Town in the amount of \$152.75 has been received. Also of these fires repayment to the men fighting the fires was made in the amount of \$89.00. Together the amounts credited total \$241.75.

Special training has been given to most members of the department and a planned procedure is in effect for operations at all fires. This plan has proved most effective in the quick extinguishment of all fires occurring this year.

Almost insurmountable obstacles were incurred in purchasing a new forest fire truck. However we were fortunate enough to purchase one completely equipped with two-way radio and accepted delivery in the month of November. This truck is equipped with a three-hundred gallon water tank and a built-in 200 gallon rotary

pump. Provision is made for drafting water from available supplies, also. Compartments are built into the truck for carrying various types of equipment. During the year 2,000 feet of forest fire hose was purchased to give us a total footage of 5700 feet of hose.

This truck is also suited to fighting fires in outlying sections of the Town because of the large amount of water carried. If this truck could be equipped with a sectional ladder during the winter months it would be invaluable for outside fires occurring in many sections of the Town.

Our experience in operating the new portable forest fire pump convinces us of the necessity of adding another pump of this type to the present equipment. The light weight of this pump and the efficient operation would add greatly to the efficiency of this department.

Our new truck, I believe, should be covered by fire insurance, and also the equipment.

During the year we have tried to impress upon the people of the Town the necessity of obtaining a permit for all open air fires. (Any fire which liberates sparks can be called an open air fire.) Many of the incinerators used by our townspeople are not proper and are hazardous. They require permits just as much as any fire built in the open.

Stress has also been made of the danger of burning in the streets for which this department cannot issue permits. This practice has been largely eliminated.

If our townspeople will cooperate with this department in obtaining permits for all outside fires we should be able to reduce the number of calls this department

makes for fires getting out of control due to either burning at the wrong time or not having edequate help available to control such fires.

I want to thank your Board for the cooperation you have given me during the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

VICTOR M. FRENCH

Forest Fire Warden

ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

School Committee

OF THE

TOWN of PALMER

For the fiscal year ending December 31, 1945

CALENDAR

Winter Term:

Begins January 2, 1946; ends February 21, 1946.

Spring Term:

Begins March 4, 1946; ends April 26, 1946.

Summer Term:

Grades

Begins May 6, 1946; ends June 13, 1946.

High

Begins May, 6, 1946; ends June 28, 1946.

Fall Term:

Begins September 3, 1946; ends December 20, 1946.

Winter Term:

Begins December 30, 1946; ends February 21, 1947.

Spring Term:

Begins March 3, 1947; ends April 25, 1947.

Summer Term:

Grades

Begins May 5, 1947; ends June 12, 1947.

High

Begins May 5, 1947; ends June 27, 1947.

VACATIONS

Winter:

February 21, 1946, to March 3, 1946.

Spring:

April 27, 1946, to May 5, 1946.

Summer:

Grades

June 15, 1946, to September 3, 1946.

High

June 29, 1946, to September 3, 1946.

Fall:

December 21, 1946, to December 29, 1946.

Winter:

February 22, 1947, to March 2, 1947.

Spring:

April 26, 1947, to May 4, 1947.

Summer:

Grades

June 14, 1947, to September 2, 1947.

High

June 27, 1947, to September 2, 1947.

School Committee 1945-1946

JOSEPH A. FUREY, Chairman

MRS. FLORENCE CALLAHAN, Secretary

GARRETT P. T. CAVANAUGH	Term expires 1948
STANLEY W. WISNEWSKI	Term expires 1948
JOSEPH A. FUREY	Term expires 1947
DR. CHARLES GIROUX	Term expires 1947
MRS. FLORENCE CALLAHAN	Term expires 1946

Regular meetings of the School Committee are held at 8 p. m. on the Tuesday before the last Friday of each school month.

All bills must be in the hands of the Superintendent on the Monday before the above date.

Superintendent of Schools, Clifton H. Hobson

Office Hours: 8 a. m. to 12 m.; 1 to 5 p. m.

Report of Superintendent of Schools

To the School Committee of the Town of Palmer:

I herewith present my thirty-fifth report as Superintendent of Schools in Palmer. This is the fifty-third in the series of reports issued by the superintendents of the Town.

TEMPTATION

My nearly thirty-five years of incumbency as superintendent of schools in Palmer gives me the longest continuous service in one city or town in Massachusetts of any superintendent in the state.

Thirty-five years is a long time in public service in one community. Many things happen in that period of time. Thousands of pupils have passed through the schools—even grandchildren, in some cases, are now in the schools.

There is a strong temptation to reminisce! I shall resist it in the main. I simply call attention to the great

physical changes which have occurred. The new high school, the Quabaug School, the Wenimisset School, and two additions to the Bondsville School have been built. The Legion Field has been constructed. While active in each of these, I claim no major credit.

Much work has been done in outlining the work in every subject in every grade—not only what is to be taught, but how. I feel Palmer has one of the most personalized courses of study of any school system.

Our schools have always been held in respect by schoolmen.

In mentioning briefly these things, I do so with all modesty, realizing better than anyone else our weaknesses. I mean to be factual, not self-laudatory.

We have been among the pioneers in some things—Americanization, tuberculosis clinics, diphtheria immunization, etc.

We leave the passing of judgment with the people who have been a part of Palmer's population during any, or all, of these years, especially to those who have had, or do have, children in the schools.

ATTENDANCE

The attendance statistics for the school year of 1944-1945 were as follows:—Enrollment, 1,351; Average Membership, 1,247.32; Average Attendance, 1,182.325; Per Cent of Attendance, 94.789; Tardinesses, 236.

Our attendance, year in and year out, has averaged well—about 96%, which is 1% better than ideal.

WAR STAMPS AND BONDS

The first sale was March 20, 1942; the last, December 21, 1945. The total amount purchased was \$87,283.17; the average amount per collection was \$694.26.

School by school, this table tells the story:

School	Amount	No. of Collections	Average Collections
Palmer High	\$21,180.40	123	\$172.20
Park Street	16,221.55	126	128.74
Quabaug	18,549.50	126	147.22
Three Rivers	15,745.60	127	123.98
Thorndike	11,063.09	125	88.50
Bondsville	4,552.03	123	36.76
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	\$87,283.17	125	\$694.26

HIGH SCHOOL

The Palmer High School was first instituted in 1851. For several years, it was peripatetic—held for a few months in the various villages. In 1874, it was permanently established in the so-called Depot Village and here it has remained. The school has occupied three buildings—the former wooden school (combined grade and high school) that stood where the Park Street School

now stands from 1874 to 1888; the old high school (now called the Thorndike Street School and, for the past few years, used as an annex) from 1888 to 1923; and the present high school building (occupied since 1923).

The high school is now in its ninety-fifth year of existence. In five more years, it will have its one-hundredth anniversary. Due recognition of such an event should be made.

The record of the high school down through the years has been good. Many of its graduates have done well in life and have made a real contribution to the welfare of our country.

I want to reiterate rather closely what I said a few years ago. America is unique in the provision she has made for many years in offering a free secondary education to its youth. In nearly every other country, until within a comparatively few years, such provision was made only for the select few.

Within the past quarter of a century, nearly every youth of normal, or better, capacity mentally has attended high school. The great spread in mental capacity has taxed the ingenuity of educators to make proper provision for this wide diversity. The one and only course provided—college preparation—was not sufficient. Other courses to meet individual differences in mental capacity had to be provided. Courses for the purely abstract-minded were not meeting the challenge. Courses for the concrete-minded, and those bordering on both the abstract and concrete, were devised. Commercial courses, vocational courses, general courses—all came into being.

In large communities, these were offered in separate high schools. In smaller communities, these various

courses, to a greater or lesser degree, were established in the composite high school. Technical courses are more expensive than non-technical. Smaller communities were hard pressed to meet this situation. Enrollments, equipment, physical set-up, finances, etc.,—all presented hurdles.

All in all, the smaller communities have done a good job in meeting a seemingly impossible problem—impossible of solution.

Palmer meets it fairly well—not the way we would like to meet it, if all barriers could be removed. Three courses are offered—the College Preparatory, the English, and the Commercial.

The English course, in most schools called General, has been in operation some fifteen years. It offers a flexibility of pupil adjustment that works advantageously for both pupil and school. Pupils can take parts of the other courses without taking all. An opportunity for a general education within the mental grasp of many pupils is provided. A general education is all that many want or can grasp. Certainly, they are much better prepared to cope with life with this additional education.

The Commercial course is thirty-five years old. Its purpose, its objectives, its work—all are known. Were it good taste, the naming of the graduates holding key positions in the Commercial Field—local and abroad—would be proof sufficient of the quality of this course. The confidence that local business and industrial firms have in our product is evidenced by the many calls for clerical help that they give us.

The College Preparatory course can be best judged by a statement which is given each spring to the Com-

mittee. It is a summation of the reports received from different institutions upon the work of our graduates at the end of the first semester, or first half, of their freshman year. This particular statement is a summary of these reports for the past 15 years.

In order to understand fully its significance, this explanation is given:—There are many students and different institutions represented—colleges, teachers colleges, junior colleges, commercial colleges, nurse-training schools, etc. These colleges have various methods of marking, but, in a general way, the marks may be summarized somewhat as follows: “A”, which ordinarily means 90 or better; “B”, 80 or better; “C”, 70 or better; “D”, 60 or better (passing); “E”, below 60 (passing but not satisfactory); “F”, considerably below 60 (failing); “Conditions” (neither passing nor failing).

There have been 1,611 pupil-subject marks given during this period of fifteen years by these institutions. There were 247 A's, or 15.3%; 566 B's, or 35.1%; 513 C's, or 31.8%; 209 D's, or 13.0%; 43 E's, or 2.7%; 30 F's, or 1.9%; 3 “Conditions”, or .2%. In brief, 1,535 are passing marks with satisfaction, or 96.19%; 43 are passing, but unsatisfactory; 3 conditions; and only 30 are not passing. This is a very fine showing.

These pupils secured entrance to college by three methods:—Certification by us; certification and examination (pupil taking examination in subjects where we would not certify); and transcript (simply sending school record). “Certification” means that we stand back of our pupils. They must secure with us practically an average of 85 in each subject throughout their high school course.

This is a remarkable record—one that will compare favorably with most high schools.

These statistics go back to 1930 only. I have known the Palmer High School somewhat intimately since 1895. Her pupils, with rare exceptions, have always done well in college. To my definite knowledge, she has, for these fifty years, had the privilege of certifying pupils to any college that would accept pupils upon certification. In this respect, she has been, and still is, in the same class as the finest private and public secondary schools in the country.

ADDITION TO HIGH SCHOOL

The need of adding to the high school has been apparent since the building was built in 1923. The original plans called for a much larger building. A larger gymnasium and additional rooms are essential.

Plans were drawn for doubling the gymnasium floor space, with a field house on the rear for Legion Field, in 1936. Had we been able to get some \$3,000 to \$4,000 from the town, under WPA, we could have had an \$18,000 addition.

The Federal Government has appropriated money which is being granted to cities and town for plans and specifications for post-war work, with the provision that no repayment will be required unless the buildings are actually erected and then only 50% return is required.

There is a rather strong feeling that the Federal Government will get into public building on an approximately 50-50 basis, especially if there is a business recession. In fact, there is already pending in the House a bill to this effect, practically.

This addition would make unnecessary the use of the old high school building. If we continue to use this for school purposes, we are faced with an expenditure of \$6,069.00 to reduce fire hazards. This is a "must", ordered by the State Department of Building Inspection. It seems a shame to pour so much money into an old building. The Town might find other use for the building.

Undesirable passing back and forth many times a day would be done away with.

The new high school was constructed with the thought of future additions.

The Town's indebtedness is practically nil—\$8,000.

Many towns and cities are doing this in anticipation of future developments. Palmer should be prepared, for, when the day comes, those that are ready will "get under the wire" first.

FIRE HAZARDS

As a result of the Cocoanut Grove fire, the Massachusetts Department of Public Safety has been insisting upon the elimination of all fire hazards in school buildings. A recent survey of the Palmer Schools has resulted in the building inspector ordering that certain safety work be done. This work is to be done in the Park Street School, the Thorndike Grammar School, the Thorndike Street School, and the Three Rivers Grammar School.

As a sample of the completeness of these requirements, let us use the Thorndike Street School. The work to be done is as follows:

Thorndike Street School

Basement:

- 3 Automatic Closing Fire Doors.
- 3 Standard Smoke Screens at Corridors.
- 3 Openings bricked up.
- 1 Partition to be removed.
Boiler Room, Coal bin and Fresh Air Chamber Ceilings fireproofed.

First Floor:

- 3 Standard Smoke Screens.
- 3 Doors to be removed.
- 8 Doors to be rehung.
- 1 New Partition with smoke screen doors and transom.
Side and Center Railings at Park and Converse Street Steps.
Wall Rails on Stairs.

Second Floor:

- New Exterior Fire-escape.
- 1 Window changed to Fire Exit at Fire-escape.
- 3 Standard Smoke Screens.
- 1 Partition as on First Story.

8 Doors to be rehung.

Small Chimney removed down to roof level and roof repaired and made weather-tight.

Plans and specifications were drawn up and bids received. The bids are as follows:

Three Rivers Grammar School	\$2,783.00
Thorndike Street School	6,069.00
Park Street School	4,840.00
Thorndike Grammar School	2,726.00
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	\$16,418.00
Architect Fee	985.00
	—————
Total	\$17,403.00

This work is a "must"; there is no option.

The inspector, realizing the expense, is willing that it be spread over a two or three year period.

RETURNING VETERANS

The high school has been, and is being, very helpful to returning veterans who are interested in completing their high school education or in gaining admission to higher institutions. Many of them are presenting their problems and are being aided as much as possible with the present set-up. For most of them, enrollment in regular high school classes is not the answer.

I am hopeful, if there is a sufficient demand, of holding evening sessions in the high school, taught by high school teachers, under the auspices of the State Department of Education.

If the demand is sufficient, I believe arrangements can be effected to take care of Palmer, Monson, Brimfield, Wales, South Belchertown, North Wilbraham, and possibly other nearby towns.

Roughly, Palmer would furnish space, heat, and light; the State would pay instructors.

AMERICAN EDUCATION

Never before in history has the American type of education been more strikingly and patently justified than in the recent World War. Countries, like Germany and Japan, which were purely militaristic, through mis-education, tried to be the superior race. They utterly failed. We, a peace-loving nation, basing our citizenship upon good intelligence, sound judgment, strong moral sense, firm patriotism, broad vision, and high ideals, through education of head, hand, and heart, produced a fine type of soldier — unbeatable — who, through independence, ingenuity, initiative, and courage, could meet every situation.

This theme could be developed ad infinitum. It is not necessary.

The desire of almost the entire world for democracy shows the trend. Eventually, the world will be

governed by the people themselves in some form of democracy or constitutional monarchy. Any nation desiring democracy must educate its boys and girls along lines similar to ours. Without education, democracy is impossible. May we never forget this!

EDUCATION FOR PEACE

Having won the war, let us keep the peace. We must raise our sights. We must visualize the world. We must understand; we must be patient; we must be tolerant; we must play fair; we must recognize our fellowman — no matter what color, nationality, or religion — as our brother. This is a real job and, if it is to be accomplished, it must be done through the schools working with plastic youth — the citizens of to-morrow

It is a job, but it can be done. May we dedicate ourselves to this task!

CONCLUSION

This report is brief — purposely so. Even though sketchy, I hope its purpose is evident. The schools are such old and accepted friends, they are not appreciated. Do not forget that, next to the church, they are humanity's greatest friend.

Appreciation is hereby expressed to all — school committee, citizens, parents, teachers, and pupils — who

have been sympathetic, patient, and helpful in our efforts to maintain a reasonably good school system.

Respectfully submitted,

CLIFTON H. HOBSON

Superintendent of Schools

Palmer, Massachusetts, January 8, 1946.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT FOR YEAR 1945

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	Appropriation	Expended	Balance
General Expenses:			
Salaries	\$7,989.76	\$7,999.11	-\$ 9.35
Telephones	400.00	411.80	- 11.80
Supplies, Printing, Postage	150.00	105.53	44.47
Traveling Expenses	75.00	58.90	16.10
Attendance Officer	200.00	140.00	60.00
Teachers' Salaries	86,618.42	85,473.23	1,145.19
Textbooks and Supplies	4,500.00	5,458.41	- 958.41
Transportation:			
Bradlenski	11,500.00	11,500.00	0.00
Other	50.00	0.00	50.00
Private Schools	500.00	471.50	28.50
Janitors' Salaries	13,202.36	13,385.65	- 183.29
Fuel, Light and Power:			
Coal	6,490.00	6,773.79	- 283.79
Wood	50.00	9.00	41.00
Light and Power	1,650.00	1,335.63	314.37
Maintenance of Buildings and Grounds:			
Water	350.00	285.35	64.65
Janitors' Supplies	900.00	1,097.39	- 197.39

Other	1,200.00	1,330.85	- 130.85
Repairs	2,100.00	2,265.73	- 165.73
Music, Manual Training and Drawing:			
Salaries	5,031.39	4,848.11	183.28
Supplies	500.00	699.61	- 199.61
Commercial:			
Salaries	6,047.76	6,227.00	- 179.24
Supplies	800.00	717.32	82.68
Furniture and Furnishings	300.00	210.32	89.68
Other Expenses:			
Insurance	1,157.60	1,211.63	- 54.00
Printing	200.00	121.19	78.81
Graduation	150.00	122.65	27.35
Diplomas	150.00	100.15	49.85
Medical Inspection	2,865.92	2,886.00	- 20.08
Tuition	200.00	9.43	190.57
All Other Expenses	1,000.00	1,184.47	- 184.47
Adult Alien Education	1,500.00	1,207.50	292.50
Trade School Tuition	1,800.00	1,909.42	- 109.42
Special Salary Appropriation	6,930.00	0.00	6,930.00
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	\$166,558.24	\$159,556.67	\$7,001.57

TOWN WARRANT

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

County of Hampden,

Town of Palmer.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Palmer,
in said County,

GREETING:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby required to notify and warn all the inhabitants of the Town of Palmer, qualified to vote in elections of town officers, to meet at the several polling places in said Palmer, designated by the selectmen, to wit: In Precinct A, in the High School Gymnasium on Converse Street in the Depot Village; in Precinct B, at the Thorndike Grammar School in Thorndike; in Precinct C, at the Three Rivers Grammar School in Three Rivers, and in Precinct D, at the Bondsville Grammar School in Bondsville, on Monday, the fourth day of February, A. D. 1946, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to give in their votes on one ballot to the precinct officers of the several voting precincts of said town, for the following officers, to wit: 3 Selectmen, a Town Treasurer, Collector of Taxes, 3 Auditors, 5 Constables, 3 License Commissioners, 1 Member of the Board of Public Welfare (to fill vacancy), and a Tree Warden, all for the term of one year; 1 Member of the Board of Public Welfare, 1 Member of the Board of Health, 1 Assessor, 1 Cemetery Commissioner, 2 Mem-

bers of the Planning Board, 1 Member of the School Committee, all for the term of three years.

The polls will be open at ten o'clock in the forenoon and will be closed at eight o'clock in the evening.

And you are further hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of said Palmer, qualified to vote in town affairs, to meet at the Town House at Four Corners in said Palmer, on Monday, the eleventh day of February, A. D. 1946, at seven o'clock in the evening, then and there to act on the following articles, viz:

Article 1. To choose a Moderator to preside at said meeting.

Article 2. To choose all other usual town officers.

Article 3. To act on the reports of the town officers.

Article 4. To raise money and make appropriations to defray the expenses of the town for the ensuing year.

Article 5. To see if the town will vote to authorize the town treasurer, with the approval of the selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1946, and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year, in accordance with Section 17 of Chapter 44 of the General Laws.

Article 6. To hear and act on reports of committees.

Article 7. To choose committees and give them instructions.

Article 8. To determine the manner and state the terms and conditions of collecting taxes for the ensuing year, and fix the compensation of the collector of taxes.

Article 9. To see if the town will raise and appropriate money to convey pupils to and from public schools, and instruct the school committee as to the manner of letting the contract for such conveyance.

Article 10. To see if the town will raise and appropriate money for the Young Men's Library Association, or take any action relative thereto.

Article 11. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate money for the observance of Memorial Day.

Article 12. To see what action the town will take in respect to lighting the streets and whether it will authorize the selectmen to make contract therefor, and raise and appropriate money for the same.

Article 13. To see what action the town will take relative to suits and claims now pending against the town.

Article 14. To see if the town will raise and appropriate money for the care and improvement of cemeteries.

Article 15. To see if the town will raise and appropriate money for the suppression of the gypsy, brown-tail and satin moths and elm tree beetles, and other insect pests.

Article 16. To see if the town will raise and appropriate such sums of money as may be necessary to defray the cost of rent, janitor service and maintenance of the town offices in the Holbrook Building.

Article 17. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,000.00 to help defray the cost of maintaining the District Nurse.

Article 18. To see if the town will raise and appropriate money under the authority of Section 22 of Chapter 115 of the General Laws for the care of graves of persons who served in the Army, Navy or Marine Corps of the United States in time of war or insurrection and were honorably discharged from such service.

Article 19. To see what action the town will take in relation to sewers.

Article 20. To see what action the town will take in regard to sidewalks and curbing.

Article 21. To see if the town will raise and appropriate any sum of money to be paid to the Wing Memorial Hospital Association for the charitable purposes of said association in this town, or for the care and support in said hospital of persons wholly or in part unable to support or care for themselves, or take any action relative thereto.

Article 22. To see if the town will vote to authorize the treasurer, with the approval of the selectmen, to borrow money as permitted by law to meet any appropriations made or expenses incurred under any of the articles of this warrant.

Article 23. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate any sum of money for the granting of

adequate assistance to deserving citizens of the town in need of relief and support sixty-five years of age or over under the provisions of Chapter 118A of the General Laws, and for expenses to be incurred in connection with the granting of such assistance, or take any action relative thereto.

Article 24. To see if the town will raise and appropriate any sum of money to provide and maintain quarters for Edward T. Goodreau Post, No. 1813, Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States for the year 1946.

Article 25. To see if the town will authorize the school committee to appoint any member thereof to the office or position of school physician and determine and fix the salary of any such appointee under the provisions of Section 4A of Chapter 41 of the General Laws.

Article 26. To see if the town will vote to authorize the selectmen to sell at public auction, after first giving notice of the time and place of sale by posting such notice of sale in some convenient and public place in the town fourteen days at least before the sale, property taken by the town under tax title procedure, provided that the selectmen or whomsoever they may authorize to hold such auction may reject any bid which they deem inadequate, or take any action relative thereto.

Article 27. To see what action the town will take relative to the care and preservation of the Memorial Approach to the High School, the plot of land at Shearer's Corner upon which the General Knox Marker is located, and the memorial plots in the several villages of the town.

Article 28. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate any sum of money for the operation and maintenance of Burleigh Park, Legion Field and the

Eager Playground in the Depot Village, or take any action relative thereto.

Article 29. (a) To see what action the town will take with reference to the planting and preservation of shade trees; (b) To see if the town will vote to determine and fix the salary of the tree warden and raise and appropriate money for the same; (c) To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate any sum of money for labor and materials and tools for use in connection with the Department of the Tree Warden.

Article 30. To see if the town will raise and appropriate, or transfer from unappropriated available funds in the treasury, a sum of money for Chapter 90 Highway Maintenance, or take any action relative thereto.

Article 31. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate any sum of money to be expended for the burial of soldiers or sailors, their wives and dependent children, or other members of the Armed Forces of the United States under the provisions of Chapter 115 of the General Laws.

Article 32. To see if the town will vote to pay a salary to members of the Board of Public Welfare chosen to serve in the Division of Old Age Assistance, in addition to the salary received by them as members of said Board of Public Welfare, fix the amount thereof, and raise and appropriate any money for the same, or take any action relative thereto.

Article 33. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$50.00 to be expended in the town by the Hampden County Trustees for Aid to Agriculture, in accordance with the provisions of General Laws, Chapter 128, Section 42.

Article 34. To see if the town will raise and appropriate any sum of money for the maintenance of the Veterans' Service Center.

Article 35. To see if the town will vote to appropriate such sum or sums of money as it may deem necessary for the preservation of health and protection of persons and property, and for such other purposes as are permitted under the provisions of Chapter 487 of the Acts of 1941.

Article 36. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate any sum of money to celebrate, in such manner as it deems advisable, the return of men and women who served or were affiliated or associated with any branch of the Armed Forces of the United States in World War II, appoint a committee to arrange for such celebration, or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 37. To see if the town will vote to accept the following perpetual care funds which have been given to it during the year: Orion A. Powell \$100.00; Louis E. Chandler \$200.00; George Eugene Necolai \$100.00; Wilson Clark \$100.00; William J. Gillis \$200.00; Harry McDonnell \$100.00; Purlin M. Shearer \$125.00; Jason W. Miller \$200.00; Mabel C. Brown \$100.00; Lewis W. Worthington \$200.00; Ernest E. French \$100.00.

Article 38. To see if the town will vote to transfer the sum of \$5,245.96 from the Overlay Surplus Account to the Overlay Deficit Account.

Article 39. To see if the town will vote to provide all night police service in the Village of Thorndike and raise and appropriate any sum of money therefor.

Article 40. To see what action the town will take upon the petition of Frank E. Albro and sixteen other

persons representing that they are residents within the limits of a proposed district of the town bounded as follows: Beginning at the point in the Swift River where the line dividing the towns of Belchertown and Palmer intersects the baseline of location of the Central Massachusetts Division of the Boston & Maine Railroad and running thence Southerly by the said baseline of location approximately 1460 feet to the point where the said baseline is intersected by the southerly line of land formerly of the Boston Duck Company, now or recently of the Bondsville Realty, Inc.; thence running Easterly by the said southerly line of land formerly of the Boston Duck Company to the easterly side line of location of the aforementioned Central Massachusetts Division; thence continuing Easterly by the same line along the land of Martin Piscor and land formerly of Catherine Dwyer, now of Fred E. Holcomb et ux. approximately 1260 feet to the northeasterly corner of land formerly of Catherine Dwyer; thence running Southerly by the easterly line of said land formerly of Catherine Dwyer along the land now or formerly of John Hanifin, crossing Griffin Street and along the land of John Midura et al. approximately 347 feet to the southeasterly corner of said land now or formerly of Catherine Dwyer; thence running Westerly by the southerly line of said land formerly of Catherine Dwyer along land of John Midura et al. approximately 850 feet to the southwesterly corner of said land now or formerly of Catherine Dwyer; thence running Westerly in a line perpendicular to the aforementioned baseline of location of the Central Massachusetts Division crossing the land of Peter and Francezka Byczenski, land of Eva Wostena and a portion of the location of the Central Massachusetts Division, approximately 425 feet to the aforementioned baseline of location of the Central Massachusetts Division; thence running Southerly and Southeasterly by said baseline of location of the Central Massachusetts Division approx-

imately 2,600 feet to the point where said baseline intersects the southerly line of State Street as laid out by the Hampden County Commissioners in 1941; thence running Southwesterly to the southwesterly sideline of location of the Central Massachusetts Division and continuing in the same straight line across land of John Kulig, land of Karolina Kapinos, land of Stanley Piechota, land of Elizabeth Moynahan and Mary Sullivan, land of Henning W. and Anna May Forsman, land of Katarzyna Kos, Thorndike Street or Pleasant Street as laid out by the Hampden County Commissioners in 1929 and land of Apolonia Midura approximately 4450 feet to the southerly corner of land conveyed by Jan and Apolonia Midura to Joseph E. and Julia M. Midura, by deed dated October 7, 1940 and recorded in Hampden County Registry of Deeds Book 1700, Page 511; thence running Westerly by the southerly line of said land conveyed to Joseph E. and Julia M. Midura approximately 222 feet to the easterly line of Palmer Road as laid out by the Hampden County Commissioners in 1935; thence crossing Palmer Road to the point where the westerly line of said Palmer Road intersects the southerly line of Fuller Road, so-called; thence running Westerly and Northwesterly by the southerly and southwesterly line of Fuller Road, so-called, to its intersection with the northerly line of Pine Street; thence running Easterly by the northerly line of Pine Street to the center line of Fuller Road; thence running Northwesterly by the center line of Fuller Road, as it lay before its abandonment to the point in the Swift River where said center line intersects the said dividing line between the Towns of Belchertown and Palmer; thence running in the Swift River by the said dividing line between the Towns of Belchertown and Palmer in a general northeasterly direction to the point of beginning; and requesting the town to raise taxes for the establishment and maintenance of a sufficient fire department for the reasonable

protection of the inhabitants and property within the limits of said proposed district.

Article 41. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate any sum of money for the purchase of two or more trucks for the use of the highway department.

Article 42. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate any sum of money for the granting of assistance under the provisions of the Massachusetts Aid to Dependent Children Law, Chapter 118 General Laws, and for expenses to be incurred in connection with the granting of such assistance, or take any action relative thereto.

Article 43. To see if the town will raise and appropriate money for the construction of new sewers and catch basins as follows: (a) Sewer in South Main Street, Depot Village, from the southerly end of the present sewer in said street southerly to connect with the sewer in Tenneyville; (b) Sewer in Shearer Street, Depot Village, from the easterly end of the present sewer easterly about 300 feet to property of George Robbins; (c) Sewer in Church Street, Thorndike, from the Gula residence at the junction of High and Church Streets to the present sewer at the junction of Church and Center Streets.

Article 44. To see if the town will install and maintain additional electric lights as follows: Light or lights on Thorndike Street, Depot Village, between St. Thomas' Cemetery and the entrance to the town dump; (b) 1 light on the Bondsville-Thorndike Road, between the residence of one Kos and the residence of one Midura; (c) 1 light on Pleasant Street, Three Rivers; (d) 1 light at the corner of Wilson Avenue and Stafford Street,

Depot Village; (e) 2 lights on High Street, Thorndike, one near the residence of Anthony A. Libera, and another near the residence of one Reynolds; (f) 1 light on Central Street, Depot Village, approximately 150 feet north-easterly from the intersection of Grove and Central Streets; (g) 1 light at the northerly end of Shaw Street, Depot Village; (h) 1 light on Grove Street, Depot Village, between Central and Maple Streets; (i) Light or lights on Calkins Road; (j) 2 lights on South High Street, Bondsville, between Crawford Street and the Palmer Road; (k) 1 light on the Bondsville-Four Corners Road, near the property of Joseph Midura; (l) 1 additional light at or near the home of Stephen S. Kwasniewski on Pine Street, Bondsville; (m) Additional lights on Shearer Street, Depot Village.

Article 45. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate money for the improvement of highways as follows: (a) Improve Pine Street, Bondsville, from a point opposite the garage of Henry Wowro to the westerly end of said street; (b) Improve Main Street, Bondsville, from the corner of Main and Maple Streets to the corner of Main and State Streets; (c) Improve Stewart, Crest and Hill Streets, Bondsville; (d) Improve Baptist Hill Road from Wesson's to the top of the hill at Graham's, a distance of about .6 of a mile.

Article 46. To see if the town will raise and appropriate money for the construction of new sidewalks as follows: (a) Sidewalk with curbing on Squier Street, Depot Village, in front of property of Francis R. Sinervo; (b) Sidewalk, with curbing, on Main Street, Bondsville, from State Street to Maple Street; (c) Curbing on Church Street and Center Streets, Thorndike, in front of residence of Thomas Wallace.

Article 47. To see if the town will raise and appropriate money for the repair of the gasoline shovel.

Article 48. To see if the town will vote to construct a new bridge over the Quaboag River in Main Street in the Village of Three Rivers and appropriate and raise by taxation or otherwise any sum of money therefor, said sum to be used in conjunction with any money allotted for this purpose by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and the County of Hampden, or take any action relative thereto.

And you are hereby directed to serve this warrant by posting up attested copies thereof in some one public place in each of the four villages of the town, known as the Depot Village, Thorndike, Three Rivers and Bonds-ville, seven days at least before the holding of said meeting and by publishing an attested copy thereof in at least two issues of the Journal-Register, a newspaper published in said Palmer, the first publication to be not less than seven days before the holding of said meeting.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk, at or before the holding of said meeting.

Given under our hands this fourteenth day of January, A. D. 1946.

DANIEL W. O'CONNOR

GEORGE B. CHENEY

PETER F. WARAKOMSKI

Selectmen of Palmer

A true copy, Attest:

JAMES H. CARTER

Constable of the Town of Palmer

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